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BETHEL LOCAL NEWS

Miss Joyce Chapman was at home from Portland for the week end.

Miss Muriel Hall of Lewiston spent Wednesday at her home in town.

Mr and Mrs John Meserve moved Wednesday to their new home in Albany.

Miss Ida Packard has received her appointment as postmaster at Bethel.

Miss Mary Sanborn of South Portland spent the week end at her home here.

Roland Jones of Auburn is a guest of his grandparents, Mr and Mrs H I Bean.

Miss Ruth Bennett, who teaches at North Lovell, is enjoying a vacation at her home.

Mr and Mrs Pat Grenier of Portland have moved into the rent of F A Van Den Kerckhoven.

Mrs Dora Sylvester, Mr Spear and daughter Joan of Portland were guests of friends in town Thursday.

Mr and Mrs John Poole were in town Tuesday and moved the remainder of their household goods to Norway.

Mr and Mrs George Taylor and son Kent of New London, Conn., are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs G N Sanborn.

It has been reported that the American Legion has purchased the Young store building on Main Street for a home.

The annual financial campaign of the Mount Mica District, Boy Scouts of America, will be conducted from May 1 to 10.

Vivian Hutchins of Detroit, Mich., has been visiting his mother, Mrs Vertie Hutchins, at the home of Mrs Wallace Clark.

Mrs William Danforth has completed her duties at the home of Mrs Kimball Ames and left Monday to make her home in Portland.

Electricians Mate Borden Foster and Mrs Foster arrived Friday from Washington, D. C., to spend three weeks at the Eames home on Paradise Hill.

Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven, Elmer Bennett and O A Pratt, members of the Pine Tree Council, attended the Scout Advancement Program meeting at the Boys' Club in Portland Sunday.

Guests of Mr and Mrs Irving French Wednesday were Mrs French's daughters, Mrs Esther Williamson of Upton and Mrs Agnes Sweatt of Errol, N H.

C H Peterson, superintendent of the Central Maine Power Company at Norway, as speaker at the meeting of the Bethel Lions Club Monday evening. There were 20 members present.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Brinck are at their home here for a few days after spending the past month with their daughters in Lewiston and Portland. Mr Brinck's health remains about the same.

F Perley Flint went Monday to Bosebuck Camps, Wilson's Mills to open them for the summer season. Mr and Mrs Ray Dexter, who will be employed there, also Mrs Freeland Clark went Thursday.

Local people arriving from Florida the past week are—Mrs W R Chapman, Miss Nellie Chapman, Mr and Mrs Arthur Morgan, Mrs William Von Zintl, Miss Laura Inman and Mr and Mrs Charles Reed.

Mr and Mrs Delbert Cram of Lovell were guests at Mrs Nora Hobson's on Sunday. Mrs Hobson entertained at dinner, the occasion being Mr Cram's birthday. Others present were Russell Cram, a student at Gould Academy, Helen Varner and Elaine Hobson.

Grand Master Roy Littlefield of Portland attended the district meeting which was held with Mt Abram Lodge Friday evening. The third degree was conferred on two candidates by a selected degree team. There were about 60 in attendance. Supper was served by the Rebekahs before the meeting.

Betty Ann Wheeler was given a party in honor of her first birthday by her grandmother, Mrs Charles Gorman at her home Friday afternoon. Betty Ann received gifts and refreshments, including a birthday cake were served. Present were Mrs Sidney Howe and daughter, Betty Scott, Mrs Charles Freeman, Lorenda, Mark, and Gerald Freeman, Mrs William Zintl, Sharon York, Mrs Ralph Berry, Claire Berry, Alice Jean Blake, Betty Lou York, Mrs Alfred Brown, Julia Rose Brown, Mrs Rodney Brooks, Timothy Brooks, Mrs Rodney Eames, Bonnie Eames, Mrs Lawrence Lord, Dwight Lord, Mrs Edward Wheeler, Mrs Fred Wheeler, Mrs Henry Flint.

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange of Bryant Pond met Saturday evening, April 21st with a good attendance. The meeting was observed as Past Master's Night but due to sickness and the members in the armed forces only a few Past Masters were able to attend. The offices were filled as follows:

Master—Otis Dudley
Overseer—Worley Hancock
Chaplain—Nellie Sweatt
Lecturer—Harris Hathaway
Secretary—Martha Dudley
Treasurer—Elsie Cole
Steward—Lloyd Davis
Assistant Steward—Irving Cushman
L A Steward—Flora Cole
Gate Keeper—Herman Cole
Ceres—Rena Howe
Pomona—Inez Whitman
Flora—Florence Cushman

Program:
Opening Song Bringing in the Sheaves
Remarks Mrs Martha Dudley
Piano Solo encore Francis Bean
Readings Ned I Swan
Vocal Solo encore Miriam McAllister
Address Rev Alton Verrill
Closing Song Onward Christian Soldiers

Refreshments of ice cream and crax were served after the meeting.

LEGISLATURE ADJOURNS SATURDAY

The 92nd Maine Legislature ended its session Saturday night fortified by the knowledge that without fanfare or publicity it had brought about far-reaching advances in education; had taken definite and constructive steps in the establishment of a practical post-war pattern; had stayed within the bound of anticipated operating revenue, without imposing any additional taxes; and, in the main had prudently protected the State's accumulated surplus.

Especially noteworthy was the practical and common sense viewpoint the members of the Legislature have taken toward the State's accumulated surplus of $6,000,000.

"Much of Maine's accumulated surplus, which was the result of a war inflated economy, should be reserved for inevitable recessions in State revenue and to delay, if not avoid, additional taxation."

Since the legislature convened in January this philosophy has met with the approval of the legislators who were in agreement when the Governor said:

"If surpluses ever were used to meet current operations it should be done only during a transition period of changing of economy from one of war to one of peace when such use of surpluses might save our returning servicemen from paying new taxes. To do otherwise means we impose an unfair burden on our servicemen by forcing them to pay taxes for operating deficits incurred while they were away fighting."

As a result, the legislature favored a measure whereby $1,000,000 of the general fund surplus would be earmarked as a postwar public works fund and added to the $1,000,000 set aside for a similar purpose by the 1943 Legislature. The remainder of the State's surplus except for items to which the State was previously committed remains untouched.

Governor Hildreth, one of the leaders in the fight to set up the original postwar fund, praising the addition of another million dollars to the fund said recently:

"This measure is in no sense an attempt to provide our returning veterans with any form of WPA employment. It is a soundly financed program, filling long-term needs, that will implement the efforts of private industry and local communities to provide employment by making available at a time when our economy may be spiraling downward a work-pile of public works projects that have been approved by the Maine Legislature as sound and of lasting benefit to the State of Maine."

Beyond this the legislature authorized a committee to study trade school needs for returning Maine veterans, and at the same time enacted an administration-endorsed Veterans' Preference Bill for State employment.

Governor Hildreth summed up other postwar hopes in his closing message to the legislature when he said:

"I would charge you with the responsibility of acquainting yourself with these problems affecting servicemen so that when the time comes when we shall meet again in legislative session we can work together intelligently for the best interests of these veterans. They have a right to expect this of us."

By cutting departmental appropriations substantially the legislators brought general fund expenditures for the next biennium—$45,648,916—below their estimate of income—$46,009,378, and adjourned without imposing any new taxes on the citizens of Maine.

POST OFFICES ASK BETTER PACKING OF OVERSEAS SHIPMENTS

Due to the improper packing of parcels for overseas shipment a large force of employees is necessary at the ports of embarkation to repack damaged parcels. It is emphasized by the post office department that stronger containers should be used. Among the factors contributing to the damages are: too light or brittle corrugated, thin or weak wrapping paper, and insufficient packing.

It is necessary that stronger containers be used for overseas than for other shipments. Each box should be tied with strong cord preferably by four separate pieces, two lengthwise and two crosswise, knotted at crossings. Sealing flaps with gummed tape strengthens the box but the use of tape alone is unsatisfactory since it loosens if boxes become damp. Boxes should be tightly packed to prevent loosening of articles, also to lessen chances of crushing.

It is desirable that addresses be written directly on the wrapping paper and also that address and contents be enclosed in package. Sealed parcels should bear the printed inscription allowing opening postal inspection.

R THOMAS FLAVIN

R Thomas Flavin died Thursday, April 19, 1945 at the home of his son, W W Flavin, West Paris. He passed away in his sleep, having been in his usual health. Since the death of his wife in January he had resided in the family of his son.

He married Miss Carrie Rice. Their children are Mrs Ethel Fishgall of Paterson, N J, George Flavin of Raymond and W Wright Flavin of West Paris. There are five grandchildren. One, Pvt Emery Flavin was injured in the 1st Army in Germany and is now hospitalized in the United States. He also leaves two sisters, Miss Elizabeth Flavin and Mrs Harriett Mitchell of Boston and several nephews and nieces.

He was born in Portland, August 28, 1864 and came to West Paris where as a young man he was a painter by trade and served two terms as postmaster. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Rev Frederick Jewett officiated at the Funeral service held at his late home Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock Interment was in Wayside Cemetery and the bearers were members of the family.

METHODIST CONFERENCE AND PARISH SUPPER

A large number attended the Parish supper at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening. After the supper the following program was presented: Group singing led by Miss Mary Gibbs with Mrs Harry Lyon at the piano; vocal solo, Miss Arlene Potter; vocal selections, The Misses Mary Gibbs, Gertrude Penner, Amy Penner, Nina Pierce, Arlene Potter, Geraldine Linnell, Mary Wentzell; piano solo, Jerrold Davis; group singing.

Rev William Penner presented the special guest Rev Elwin Wilson, District Superintendent, who spoke to the group.

Later in the evening Rev Wilson conducted the fourth Quarterly Conference. Reports of the year were given by the pastor and heads of the various organizations.

Evans I Wilson was recommended by the Conference to receive a license to preach and it was voted to recommend the renewal of Forrest Stowell's preachers license.

The officers for the year are as follows: trustees, Leslie Davis, Perry Lapham, Herbert I Bean, Mrs Mabel Greenleaf, Robert York, Carl Brown, Norman Hall, Cheslie Saunders, Earl Davis, Guy Swan; stewards, Miss Minnie Wilson, Miss Minnie Capen, Mrs Olive Wood, Mrs Edith Grover, Mrs Myrtle Lapham, John Anderson, Mrs Flora Anderson, Mrs Emma Robertson, Mrs Lettie Hall, Mrs Marie Davis, Mrs Elsie Davis, Mrs Gladys Wilson, Edwin Brown, Mrs Herbertina Brooks, Mrs Edna York, Mrs Leona Swan, Mrs Carrie Merrill, Maurice Brooks, Miss Eugenia Haselton, Mrs Millicent Wentzell, Mrs Addie Saunders, Miss Wilma Bean, Church treasurer and Sunday School Superintendent, Miss Minnie Wilson; lay member, Mrs Myrtle Lapham, reserve lay member, Mrs Addie Saunders; lay leader, John Anderson; communion steward, Mrs Lettie Hall; recording stewards, Miss Eugenia Haselton, Mrs Herbertina Brooks; Custodian of legal papers, Herbert I Bean.

Committees were named as follows: Membership, Mrs Maude Bean, Mrs Mary Lapham, Mrs Flora Anderson; finance, Herbert I Bean, Leslie Davis, Miss Minnie Wilson, Earl Davis, Perry Lapham, Chesley Saunders, Leslie Davis, Herbert I Bean, Mrs Helen Berry, Mrs Edna York; Nominations, Mrs Mary Lapham, Mrs Lettie Hall, Mrs Verna Dyke; Audit, Mrs Kathryn Hamlin; records, Mrs Muriel Brooks, Mrs Leona Swan; hospitals and homes, Mrs Ethel Haselton, Mrs Mabel Greenleaf, Mrs Edna York; Church Board of Education, Mrs Elsie Davis, Mrs Verna Dyke, Mrs Myrtle Lapham, Miss Minnie Wilson, Mrs Herbertina Brooks, Maurice Brooks; Church Board of Missions and Extensions, Mrs Gladys Wilson, Mrs Maude Bean, Mrs Edith Grover, Herbert I Bean, Mrs Mary Lapham,; Mrs Addie Saunders evangelism, Mrs Edna York, Mrs Leona Swan; stewardships, Mrs Carrie Merrill, Mrs Verna Dyke; temperance, Mrs Maude Bean, Edwin Brown, William Penner; Music, Mrs Mildred Lyon, Mrs Helen Berry, Mrs Arlene G Brown; parsonage, Mrs Maude Bean, Mrs Mabel Greenleaf, Mrs Millicent Wentzell, Miss Minnie Capen, Miss Beatrice Brown; World peace, Evans Wilson, Carl Brown, Maurice Brooks; Good literature, Mrs Myrtle Lapham, Mrs Elsie Davis, Mrs Sara Penner.

CORA S BROWN

Cora S Brown, age 71, widow of Charles H Brown died Sunday at her son's home at North Newry.

Survivors are one son, Elwin W Brown, four grandchildren; Elwin Jr., Gordon R., Elsie C., all of Newry, Charlie J Brown, S 2c in the U S Navy.

CONTRACT CLUB ENDS SEASON WITH SUPPER

The Contract Club held its final party for the season with a supper party at the home of Mrs Freeland Clark Monday evening. Prizes for the series were awarded for the total scores in the following order: Mrs Laurence Lord, Mrs Wilbur Myers, Mrs John Foster, Mrs Freeland Clark, Mrs Clayton Fossett, Mrs Ordell Anderson, Mrs Harry Wilson, Mrs Earl Davis, Mrs Willard Boynton, Mrs William Chapman, Mrs Kimball Ames and Mrs Philip Chadbourne.

FARM LABOR NOTES

By Laurence Marston, Emergency Farm Labor Assistant

The most recent development in the farm labor program is a plan for recruiting some of the defense workers, now being released from jobs in the Portland area, for work on farms in various counties in the State.

It is expected that out of quite a large number of workers being released from shipyards, etc, that there will be some who may want to work on farms, and publicity is being given to inform these men that they may apply to the farm labor office in Portland for work anywhere in the State. Names of the workers will be referred by the Portland office to the farm labor office in the locality in which the prospective worker wishes to seek employment. As soon as a county office is informed that there is a prospective worker for that county the information will be transmitted to a requesting farmer employer in the county.

Farmers, needing help who are interested in the above plan should contact their county farm labor office either by letter, phone or personal call and make a request as soon as possible.

If request is made by letter full details should be submitted, such as; number of workers wanted, date when they will be wanted, length of time the job will last, rate of pay, hours of work, provision of housing, type of work which will be required of the worker and any other information which might be helpful.

Information supplied by recruiting farmers will be listed on request cards and copies forwarded to the Portland office.

STATE GUARD RESERVE COMPANIES TO DISBAND

Effective May 15, 1945 the 3d, 4th and 21st Companies, Maine State Guard Reserve are to be disbanded and mustered out of service.

The Commanding officers of these organizations are completing the enlistment papers of their organizations by accomplishing the final indorsement thereon and will also issue to each enlisted man an honorable discharge to be effective May 15.

The following officers of the Maine State Guard Reserve because of business interference and at their own request are honorably discharged, effective May 15, 1945. Capt Leslie H Coburn, 4th Co, MS GR of Bethel; 2nd Lt Wallace H Warren, 4th Co., MSGR of Bethel; 2nd Lt Frank O Robertson, 3rd Co, MSGR of Locke Mills.

In place of the Reserve Companies ordered mustered out of service, the following new units will be organized: Co. E, 2nd Bn, MSG with headquarters at Lisbon Falls; Co F, 2nd Bn, MSG with headquarters at Bethel. The authorized strength of the new organizations will be 50 men.

The following commissioned officers of the Maine State Guard Reserve are hereby transferred in rank to the Maine State Guard effective 16 May 1945.

Capt Earl F Williams of Lisbon Falls assigned as Comanding Officer of Co E, 2nd Bn, MSG, with headquarters at Lisbon Falls.

1st Lt Roger H Morin of Lisbon Falls, assigned to Co E, MSG with headquarters at Lisbon Falls.

2nd Lt Walter G Lemke of Lisbon Falls, assigned to Co E, MSG with headquarters at Lisbon Falls.

1st Lt Edwin L Brown of Bethel, assigned to Co F, 2nd Bn, MSG acting commander thereof.

1st Lt Earl L Bacon of Locke Mills assigned to Co F.

POST NUPTIAL SHOWER TENDERED MRS. THURSTON

Mrs Richard Young was hostess at a post nuptial shower in honor of Mrs Dale Thurston Monday evening. Mrs Thurston received many wedding gifts. Refreshments featuring a wedding cake were served and cards were enjoyed. Those present were Mrs Richard Davis, Mrs Edwin Knight, Mrs Sidney Dyke, Mrs Charles Freeman, Mrs Rufus Rice, Mrs Donald Brown, Mrs Floyd Thurston, Mrs Custer Quimby, Mrs Richard Bush, Mrs Sidney Howe, the hostess and the honor guest, Mrs Thurston.

ASK ALL NAMES FOR HONOR ROLL

It is asked that names to be added to the Bethel Honor Roll be sent to Mrs Hugh Thurston or Charles Freeman at once, so that the Roll may be brought up to date before Memorial Day.

NEW BOOKS AT BETHEL LIBRARY

Fiction

Captain from Castile — Samuel Shellaburger
Apartment in Athens — Glenway Westcott
The Private Adventures of Captain Shaw — Edith Shay and Katherine Smith
Wild Orchard — Isabel Dick
Belle Boyd, Confederate Spy — Louis A Sigard
Image of Josephine — Booth Tarkington
Red Frint — Temple Bailey
Buffalo Coat — Carol Brink
Wings of Fear — Mignon G Eberhart
The Bolinvars — Marguerite Bayliss
Immortal Wife — Irving Stone
Burned Fingers — Kathleen Norris
Great Son — Edna Ferber
Remembered Death — Agatha Christie
The 17th Letter — Dorothy Camern Disney

Non-Fiction

Primer of American Antiques — Carl W Drippherd
My Aunt Louisa and Woodrow Wilson — Margaret Elliott
People on Our Side — Edgar Snow
Mexico Speaks — Rosa Guide
Your Kids and Mine — Joe Brown
Rolling Stone — Fred Stone
The Vigil of a Nation — Lin Yulang

Juveniles

Several exceptionally fine books among them.
Master Skylark — John Bennett
Jacqueline of the Carrier Pigeons — Augusta H Searmens
On the Golden Trail — Hildegards Hawthorne
Animal Tales of the Rockies — Albert B Cunningham
Wild Animals I Have Known — Ernest Thompson Seton
Nathan, Boy of Capernaum — Amy Morris Lillie

Gifts

Woodrow Wilson as I Knew Him — Joseph P Tumulty
Given by Fred L Edwards

Juveniles

Broad Stripes and Bright Stars
Manly Manners
A Childs Grace
A Picture Dictionary for Children
The Happy Book
Given by Mrs David Thompson

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all my friends for their kind expressions of sympathy, which they have shown me in my recent sorrow.

MRS GLADYS BEAN

SCHOOL SAVINGS

Wee kof April 23, 1945

Grade	Sav. Bank	Total	P C
I	$5.00	$4.50	78
II	4.00	4.15	74
III	3.00	4.15	60
IV	1.00	4.50	64
	$13.00	$17.30	
V	$1.00	$2.40	52
VI	5.00	4.90	56
VII	3.00	5.55	58
VIII	2.00	3.10	52
	$11.00	$15.95	

First and Seventh grades have banners.

GOULD TRACK SCHEDULE

Coach Roderick's large squad of Track hopefuls have been practicing diligently now for over three weeks in preparation for their meets which open on Saturday, May 5th at Farmington, where Gould will meet the Farmington High School, and Wilton Academy. Coach Roderick's squad consists of many youngsters and inexperienced men. Not too much can be expected of them this year but prospects look bright for the future with so many underclassmen showing great interest.

The second meet of the year, May 12th, is also away, as the Gould men travel to Lyndon Institute at Lyndon Center, Vt., Gould's only home meet will be a triagular affair with Rumford High and Fryeburg Academy as guests on Saturday, May 19th.

On Saturday, May 26th, Coach Roderick will take his team to the State Track Meet to be held at Colby College in Waterville.

The following is a list of the squad members and the events for which they are "trying out."

Running Broad Jump: Bill Adams, George Barlow, R Barlow, David Foster, Roderick Giles, Quentin Hall, Bill Haines, R Melville, L Nevens, Charles Ross, A Sargent.

Low Hurdles: R Beedy, W Brooke, L Nevens, A Sargent.

Javelin: Bill Adams, W Brooke, L Clement, Richard Daye, William Hastings, Charles Ross, H Sturgis, Jay Winter, Paul Wight.

440: R Beedy, J Winter.

Mile: G Bowman, A Fuller, J Marshall, D Walker.

High Jump: R Barlow, A Sargent, H Sturgis.

High Hurdles: R Barlow, A Sargent.

880: E Dorr, S Hopkinson, L Kendall, F Savage, C Fitzgerald.

Shot: John Brown, Richard Cram, Bill Haines, F Savage, M Bovey.

Pole Vault: H Blake.

220: R Beedy, D Bennett, R Giles, L Nevens, J Winter.

100: D Bennett, J Brown, L Clement, Richard Cram.

Discus: John Brown, Richard Cram, Dick Daye, Bill Haines, B Hastings, H Sturgis, P Wight.

Managers: J Greenleaf, S Judkins. Assistant Managers: L Wheeler, W O'Brien, M Rines.

Jumping Coach—Bill Moore. Shot and Javelin Coach— Sid Howe.

TWITCHELL - TIRRELL

On Monday, April 23rd, at 8:30 P M at the Union Church, Locke Mills, a most impressive wedding was performed by the Rev John J Foster of Bethel, when he united Roger Huntley Twitchell of Bryant Pond and Miss Norma Louise Tirrell of Locke Mills, using the double ring service.

The Church was appropriately decorated and as the wedding party entered, the lights were lowered and candles were used. Preceding the wedding, the organist, Mrs George Lister rendered a few selections and a duet, "I Love You Truly," was sung by Mrs Iola Marshall and Roy Lurvey, in a most pleasing manner.

The bride was attended by her sister, Jean, as maid of honor, gowned in rose taffeta and pink net, and carried a bouquet of pink roses and carnations. As her bridesmaids she selected Ramona Farnham and Lois Davis of Bryant Pond. Miss Farnham's dress was pink taffeta, and that of Miss Davis, aqua taffeta. Both carried bouquets of pink roses and carnations.

The bride was becomingly gowned in white silk jersey and wore pearls as her only ornament, with finger tip veil attached to a tiara.

The groom was attended by his brother, Abbott, as best man, and his ushers were Wendell Twitchell, another brother and James Billings, a brother-in-law.

Immediately following the wedding a reception was held at the Town Hall, and the couple were assisted in receiving by the entire bridal party, and the parents of the bride and groom. A local orchestra furnished music for the reception and dancing which followed. Mrs Cecil Kimball and Mrs Clyde Dunham were in charge of the guest book. Refreshments were served by Mrs Ruth Ring, and Mrs Marion Swan, and the young ladies who served were Joyce Cummings, Louise Bacon, Nellie Lapham, Priscilla Ring and Miss Swan.

The bride's travelling gown was a rose figured silk with black accessories. To her attendants she presented earrings and the groom presented tie-clasps to his attendants.

The couple are honeymooning in Maine, and will be at home after May 1st, at their new home at Bryant Pond.

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Lewis A Tirrell and graduate of Woodstock High School. The groom is the son of Mr and Mrs Oscar Twitchell and also a graduate of Woodstock High and is now associated with his father in the dairy business under the firm name of Oscar Twitchell and Sons.

A most pleasing event transpired at the reception. This was the forty-sixth wedding anniversary of the bride's grandparents, Mr and Mrs George Tirrell, and as they entered the Town Hall, they were escorted to seats and led by Mrs Marshall and Mr Lurvey, all joined in singing Auld Lang Syne. Then Mrs Donald H Tebbets, on behalf of the friends, neighbors and Union Church and Sunday School, in a few well chosen words presented them with a beautiful bouquet of 46 carnations. The couple were taken entirely by surprise.

Out of town guests at the wedding were the bride's maternal grandparents, Mr and Mrs Dana A Berry, and a cousin, Miss Amy Burbank, all of Gorham, N H. Other guests were present from Albany, Bethel, South Woodstock, South Paris, Turner, and many from Bryant Pond.

Pfc Clayton Bryant left last week for Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania, afer spending a 10 day furlough with his mother, Mrs Florence Holder, at Gilead.

Pfc Clarence Allen U S M R C is visiting his mother, Mrs Ida Allen of Bryant Pond. He has been in a hospital in the South Pacific from gun wounds sustained in action against the enemy at Iwo Jima. He enlisted in August, 1942 and was sent overseas in June, 1944.

Arthur Fogg is at Sampson, N Y, receiving training in the U S Navy.

Louis Cole Jr, S 2|c is home on leave from Sampson, N Y.

We are unable to publish overseas addresses of persons serving in the armed forces. This is in accord with the censorship requirement as we understand it.

Pvt Ruel Swain is stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Charles Anderson RT 1|c is located at the naval airport at San Diego, Calif.

Filmore (Buddy) Clough AOM 2|c who has been spending a leave at his home, left this morning to report at a base in Florida.

Sgt Chester Wheeler arrived Thursday for a furlough. He has been in the Pacific theatre of war for several months.

Sgt Custer Quimby has recovered from shrapnel wounds received on the German front and has since been ill with preumonia at a replacement center. Mrs Quimby has received a letter from him with the Purple Heart recently awarded.

Charlie J Brown S 2|c of Newry has been assigned to ship duty.

Pfc Walter B Clark, son of Mr and Mrs Albert F Clark of Melrose, Mass., has been cited by the 85th Mountain Regiment of the 10th "Mountaineer" Division, and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for participation in combat against the enemy on the Fifth Army front in Italy. Pfc Clark has frequently visited with his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Fred Clark, Bethel.

Pfc Mary K Thurston, stationed at Long Island, N. Y., is spending a 15 day furlough at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Wade Thurston.

Pvt Francis Berry has been transferred from Keesler Field, Miss., to Williams Field, Chandler, Ariz.

S 2|c Richard Emmons, son of the L B Emmons of Locke Mills is now stationed at Spartanburg, South Carolina.

MRS ANNIE R CRAIG

Mrs Annie Riggs Craig died Wednesday morning at Molbeck's Nursing Home, West Farmington after several weeks illness.

She was born at Chesterville, September 2, 1865, the daughter of Alvin S and Abbie Tilden Riggs. After attending the Chesterville schools she graduated from Coburn Institute in Waterville and attended Colby College. She was a member of the Baptist Church in Farmington and was organist at the Methodist Church there for over 20 years.

On April 17, 1913, she married Lynn Craig of Farmington and resided at the Craig residence on the Fairbanks Road. After Mr Craigs death on January 17, 1919, Mrs Craig and her mother moved into Farmington village.

Twelve years ago she came to Bethel and made her home with Dr and Mrs S S Greenleaf and family.

Survivors include three cousins, Frank Tyler of Industry, Maine, W P Tilden, Saugus Mass; Dr E B Tilden, Chicago, Ill; also several second cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P M Friday at Greenleaf's Funeral Home, Bethel. Interment in Riverside Cemetery, Farmington.

STATE OF MAINE TOWN OF BETHEL

Notice to Innkeepers and Common Victualers

The Municipal Licensing Board of the Town of Bethel will be in session on Monday, the seventh of May next at 1 o'clock p. m., to license such persons of good moral character as they deem necessary, to be Innkeepers and Common Victualers in the Town of Bethel for the current year. All persons desiring to be licensed shall make application and shall be required to file with said application their bond in the penal sum of three hundred dollars for a Victualer's and, or, Innkeeper's license before May 7th next, at the Town Clerk's office.

Dated at Bethel, Maine, this 18th day of April, A. D. 1945.

ALICE J. BROOKS
16-17 Town Clerk, Town of Bethel.

ANNUAL SUGAR EAT AND DANCE
Newry Corner Grange Hall
SAT., APRIL 28
Refreshments
Dancing, 40c inc. tax Sugar, 35c

G. L. KNEELAND, D. O.
Osteopathy
Eyes Examined, Glasses Fitted
Office in Annie Young House
Hours: 9 to 12; 2 to 5:30; 7 to 9
Sundays by Appointment
PHONE 94

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Nazi Front Cracks Under Weight Of Allied Drives Across Reich; Truman Charts Liberal Course

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

Standing on balcony of their palace in Nordkirchen, Germany, Princess Valerie Marie Schleswig-Holstein and her husband, Prince Arenberg (right), greatly resent Yank Lt. William C. Gibson's order for them to vacate their 300-room residence. Area was overrun by U. S. 9th army.

EUROPE:
Broken Front

"With the enemy breakthrough from the west and another from the east, and with wedges pointing from both directions toward Berlin, the organic structure of the German front has ceased to exist."

Thus spoke Nazi Radio Commentator Max Krull, summing up the Germans' plight as mighty Allied armies rolled upon Berlin from two sides, threatening to split the Reich in half at that point, and Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's forces already had cut the country in two for all practical purposes by driving to the Czechoslovak border in the area of Delsnitz.

With their western armies all but battered to pieces by General Eisenhower's U. S. and British drive eastward from the Rhine, the tottering wehrmacht, of rag-tag makeup at many points, suffered still other heavy blows as the Russians opened up their all-out assault on Berlin, and also launched another major offensive to the south in an effort to link up with American forces smashing eastward in Saxony.

As the U. S. drives slowed up in the face of stiff last-ditch Nazi resistance along the Elbe river and the lengthening supply lines, the spotlight shifted to the eastern front, where the Russian steam-roller crunched forward in sharp fighting.

Though the Russians threw their full weight against the Germans before Berlin, the going remained hard through the strong and intricate defensive fortifications the Nazis had set up for such an assault. Moving behind massed artillery fire, the Russians were compelled to pick their way through a maze of pillboxes and bunkers, with their tanks encountering heavy armored opposition when breaking into open areas.

As the U. S. 9th army built up strength for a thrust eastward beyond the Elbe to Berlin, and the U. S. 1st and 3rd moved toward a junction with the Russians in Saxony below the German capital, the U. S. 7th edged on the Bavarian mountain fastnesses in the south where the Nazi hierarchy is expected to make a last death-stand, and British troops closed on the enemy's great North sea ports of Bremen and Hamburg.

V-E Day

So long as fanatical German resistance prevails in any sizable degree in the Reich, V-E Day may be formally delayed, supreme Allied headquarters announced, scotching hopes for a proclamation upon juncture of U. S., British and Russian forces.

With millions of Germans under arms and capable of offering stiff resistance along the North and Baltic sea coasts and the mountain fastnesses in the south even after the rupture of a continuous front, it is felt that any announcement of V-E Day while the enemy still was able to inflict heavy losses might lead to a weakening of soldier and civilian morale.

Nazi plans for a fanatical resistance along organized and guerrilla warfare lines have as their objective the dissolution of allied determination to occupy the country in the face of heavy losses from unending opposition. Upon that extremely long shot does Adolf Hitler still hope to save the Reich.

PACIFIC:
Suicide Corps

Her great cities aflame, with American forces edging closer and closer to the homeland, Japan has decided upon the organization of a civilian suicide corps to help counter an invasion of the country, it was reported.

Announcement of the creation of the corps came as 27½ miles of the 65-mile industrial district of Tokyo lay smouldering as a result of superfort attacks, and as carrier planes from Vice Adm. Marc Mitscher's famed task force ranged over the southern portion of the homeland and whittled down Jap aerial strength.

Having long written of the fortunes of war, famed 44-year-old War Correspondent Ernie Pyle himself fell victim to its tragic twists, when a Jap machine gunner singled him out as target while he was talking to an officer at a command post on Ie Shima island off of Okinawa and killed him instantly. Covering the Pacific war after writing from the European and North African theaters since the London blitz of 1940, Pyle was considered a soldier's newspaperman because of his genius for portraying military life in simple, homey terms.

At the same time, American ground forces continued their steady advances on Okinawa in the Ryukyus after beating off numerous Jap counterattacks, and slashed deeper into the enemy's northern mountain stronghold on Luzon in the Philippines. As an indication of the continued ferocity of the fighting, most Jap casualties were killed, with few prisoners taken.

33RD PRESIDENT:
Starts Tenure

Wished well on every hand, and with congress showing a warm disposition to cooperate with him, Harry S. Truman, former Missouri farm boy who rose to the nation's highest office in one of the gravest periods of history, started his presidential tenure with a dedication to the principles of his predecessor.

Mr. Truman

Lacking both the magnetism and political genius of F.D.R., Mr. Truman's methods may be different, but in his first address to congress and the nation, he left no doubt that he stands four-square behind the late President's program for unconditional surrender, postwar international cooperation to preserve peace, and intends to maintain the liberalism of the last 12 years.

Though pledging himself to the continuation of such liberalism, it was generally felt that Mr. Truman would temper it with a more sympathetic attitude toward business, and strive to bring capital and labor closer together.

Speaking in advance of the United Nations' postwar peace parley in San Francisco, Mr. Truman's address was mainly devoted to foreign affairs, with strong emphasis upon the close working of peace-loving countries to outlaw war, by force if necessary, and the need for the U. S. to assist stricken people and increase overseas trade to raise general living standards.

Heartening has been the new President's continued desire to work closely with congress.

Drys Gain in Local Option Voting

The year 1944 was marked by continued growth of sentiment for prohibition through local option, the Women's Christian Temperance Union asserts, with a survey showing that there were 4,073 "bone dry" areas on January 1, 1945, compared with 3,333 for the same date 12 months before. In addition, it was said, many areas banned the sale of whiskey and other hard liquors.

With no strong support for national prohibition, local option loomed as the most effective instrument for drys in controlling areas. Since repeal, it was pointed out, some 15,000 local option elections have been held, with 9,000 resulting in victories for the Prohibitionists of all local option states, only Delaware remains all wet.

CHAIN STORES:
Monopoly Suit

The oft-disputed question of the chain store was brought before Judge Walter C. Lindley in federal district court at Danville, Ill., with the government accusing the New York Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company (the A. & P.) of being a repressive monopoly, and the firm asserting it is merely a highly efficient organization passing savings to consumers.

In presenting the government's case, Prosecutor Horace Flurry charged that the A. & P.'s combined operations permitted it to undersell in certain areas and drive out competition, and the volume of its business enabled it to put pressure on individual manufacturers for its benefit by threatening to withdraw its orders.

Countering the government's arguments, A. & P. attorney W. M. Acton of Danville, Ill., challenged the prosecution to show when the company had never passed a saving to consumers. Declaring that A. & P. sought no monopoly, Acton said the courts have established "you can sell at any price you please—even give merchandise away—if it is not for the sole purpose of eliminating competition."

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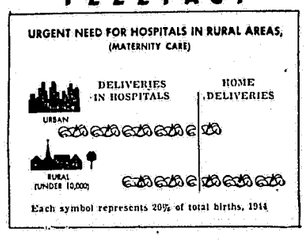

FOOD STORAGE:
At Low

Standing at 519,929,000 pounds, total stocks of beef, pork, lamb and mutton in cold storage on April 1 were lowest on record for that date, while the government held substantial amounts of smaller dairy and poultry supplies.

At 791,867,000 pounds on the same date a year ago, pork holdings had dipped to 326,399,000 pounds, of which the government owned a fourth. Beef stocks dropped to 151,990,000 pounds and lamb and mutton to 15,254,000. At 432,339,000 pounds a year ago, lard inventories were down to 50,579,000, of which the Dairy Products Marketing association and government agencies owned 21,189,000.

Of smaller butter stocks of 29,639,000, the U. S. held about half; of 98,922,000 pounds of cheese, it owned about 40 per cent, and government holdings of dried eggs included 87,649,000 pounds of 99,881,000; 703,000 cases of shell eggs of 1,777,000, and 25,937,000 pounds of frozen eggs of 115,344,000. At 141,759,000 pounds, total poultry stocks were down from a year ago.

FARM LABOR:
More POWs

Unless an early end to the European war occurs, taxing shipping facilities for retransport of men and materials and raising employment problems here, the army plans to bring in an additional 125,000 German war prisoners before harvest time to relieve the farm labor shortage.

Working under international regulations, war prisoners have performed valuable services in this country, with 150,000 employed in army camps; 43,000 in agriculture, pulpwood and food processing, and 35,000 Italians in war industry. Having used 20,000 war prisoners last year, canners have asked for 32,000 this season, it was said.

As of April 1, there were 311,630 German war prisoners in this country, along with 50,549 Italians and 3,258 Japanese.

F.D.R.:
Will Disclosed

Having previously conveyed the residence and surrounding grounds of his picturesque Hyde Park, N. Y. estate to the government for a memorial, the late President Roosevelt sought to preserve its character for posterity by asking his family in his will not to remove any belongings essentially a part of the property.

Mr. Roosevelt's request was contained in the will which also bequeathed all of his real estate and personal property in Meriwether county, Georgia, to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Filed in Dutchess county, New York, the late President's will provided that Mrs. Roosevelt is to receive the income from a trust fund set up from his estate, with half of the principal and accumulations going to his children or their heirs upon her death. The remainder would rest in trust for the children and grandchildren. Each servant and employee whose salary was paid by Mr. Roosevelt is to receive $100.

ARMY FARE

Monthly overseas shipments of perishable foods increased during 1944 to more than 2½ times the quantity of these items supplied to overseas troops during the previous year in refrigerated ships and deliveries will be maintained at high rates, the war department said.

Even with the larger troop strength now in foreign theaters of operation the supply of fresh foods per man overseas is the largest it has been at any time, army officials said.

Washington Digest

Conference Irons Out World Air Problems

Future of Commercial Flying Depends on 'Freedom of Air' Pacts, Allowing Planes To Fly and Land Anywhere.

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

Baukhage has made a study of that highly important question: Freedom of the Air.

The air transport command, with the help of the American aviation industry, has built up the greatest international aerial communication system in history.

Military and civilian experts alike admit that this tremendous system that links the globe from Arctic to Antarctic and around the world is the result of the "know-how," imagination, energy and initiative which have made this nation what it is today.

How shall the arts of wartime communication be woven into the expansion of American trade development in the peace to come?

Baukhage sets forth some of the leading military and civilian aviation opinions in this series of two articles, appearing as UNCIO (United Nations Council on International Organization) opens in San Francisco.

Some time after V-Day, when the forces of the occupation are withdrawn and the world once more settles back to peace, the greatest international air transport system which was ever built will largely cease to be. That system, the Air Transport Command of the U. S. army, criss-crosses the western hemisphere from Nome in Alaska to Rio de Janeiro; from Iceland to Panama City. It stretches eastward across the Atlantic, laces Europe and Africa, reaches India and then swings around the globe by way of Australia, through Honolulu to the Pacific coast.

Over the ATC's more than a hundred and fifty landing fields, the American flag now flies. Big planes travel the routes at the rate of 51 million miles a month, which is equal to 70 trips around the world at the equator every 24 hours.

From the flagpoles on most of those bases, the Stars and Stripes will be lowered after the world has returned to peace. And strange as it may seem, the thing that worries the friends of commercial aviation most is not so much whether Old Glory flies free over those bases, as whether the air over them and the rest of the world is free to the extent that American planes will have access to those and other bases over the globe.

We have achieved freedom of the seas. Why can't we have freedom of the air, too?

I carried that question right into the Pentagon building to the office of one of the AAF officers whose job includes worrying over that important question. He is William Mitchell, lieutenant colonel, United States army air force, assistant executive to the assistant secretary of war for air. This was his answer (Colonel Mitchell made it clear that he was expressing his personal views and was not speaking for the war department, but he stated that his opinions were shared by many other members of the air staff):

"Conflicts over artificial barriers on intercourse by sea," he said, "used to be a fertile breeding ground for wars. But for 200 years vessels of any nation have been able to travel the oceans in peacetime without international supervision, and as a result, this source of international conflict has disappeared."

If he had stopped there I might have left his office feeling quite reassured. But that was only the beginning.

Each Country Rules The Airways Above It

The analogy between freedom of the sea and freedom of the air, it seems, is an attractive one but it won't hold water.

"An airplane does not merely touch the coast of a country," the colonel explained, "it may penetrate into the remotest interior. Accordingly it has become fairly well established that a nation has jurisdiction over the airspace above its land to the same extent that it has jurisdiction over the land itself. The result is that, in the absence of agreement between countries, no plane may cross a foreign border. The air is not free, it is closed."

American ambition doesn't like to be fenced in and already we have mapped a pattern of air routes we'd like to establish when peace comes. Those routes will encircle the globe. Our own civil aeronautics board is in the process of holding hearings to determine which carriers will be certified to fly these routes.

But the certificates issued, says Colonel Mitchell, "will be mere scraps of paper unless other countries consent to operations by United States carriers."

Arrival at such common consent is in the making today, and has been greatly advanced since the state department called the conference in Chicago last November. Representatives of 52 countries met. At the last minute the Soviet Union dropped out, but certain basic agreements were reached. This conference Colonel Mitchell calls "the civil air part of the peace settlement" because it provided "in the main convention which was prepared, a proposed international organization which might, with respect to air matters within its competence directly affecting world security, enter into appropriate agreements with any general organization set up by the nations to preserve peace."

Colonel Mitchell believes that "the degree, or lack of it, to which the world can be linked by aviation, will be an important element in determining whether the nations of the world can be brought together in peaceful understanding."

Preliminary Agreements Made at Chicago Meeting

Now, what did the Chicago conference achieve?

After considerable discussion in which there were sharp differences of opinion, the conference prepared two multilateral agreements on commercial operations which were separate from the main convention and which any country was free to sign if it wished. They are concerned with the "five freedoms of the air" which will be taken up in detail in a later article. They are (1) the right to fly over a country (2) the right to land for non-traffic purposes (3) the right to disembark passengers, mail and freight from the country of origin of the aircraft (4) the right to embark traffic for the country of origin and (5) the right to do business along the way.

Because all of the countries were not prepared to accept all the freedoms, a choice was provided. One agreement offered, between the signatory countries, merely the first two freedoms. That is right to fly over the country and the right of non-traffic stop, which means permission to stop at an airport for refuelling and such purposes.

The other grants all five freedoms, but the fifth could be denied by any country on proper notice to other contracting countries.

At the time this is written the "Two-Freedoms" agreement has been signed (but not definitely accepted) by 34 countries, accepted by four (including the United States, Canada, the Netherlands and Norway).

The "Five Freedoms" agreement has been signed but not definitely accepted by 22 countries; definitely accepted by two, including the Netherlands (without the fifth freedom) and the United States.

The main work of the conference was the writing of a convention on International Civil Aviation and Interim Agreement which will set up an international organization. The conference also recommended a model form of agreement on commercial services to be used in bilateral negotiations.

"The work of the Chicago conference," said Colonel Mitchell, "is merely a blueprint for further activity. A start has been made, but, like Dumbarton Oaks, much remains to be done."

Further details of some of the problems involved and the attitudes revealed in negotiations so far will be set forth in a second article appearing next week.

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Australia's famous Empire Air Training Scheme, which provided airmen for Britain, has ended. Ten thousand trained Aussies were promised, 35,000 provided. Of them, more than 6,000 have been killed, 2,000 are missing, 1,000 are prisoners.

BARBS . . . *by Baukhage*

The April quota of new automobiles is 25 per cent below the March figure—1,500 as compared with 2,000.

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Japan junked its old and only political party and created a new one called the Political Association of Great Japan. The old one was called the "Imperial Rule Assistance Political Party." What's in a name, Hirohito?

It looks as if one of the worst pieces of misuse of labor unions is going to be smashed when congress gets through with one "Czar" Petrillo, head of the AFL musicians' union. It all started as a children's crusade when Petrillo banned all school orchestras and bands from the networks but it has turned into a move to stop a violation of the bill of rights.

HENRY BAILING OUT

Henry Ford is leaping out of the airplane after the war, with or without a parachute.

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He wants no part of winged Mercury in the postwar world, and will turn him in for good old Lizzie.

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The great Willow Run factory that is turning one bomber out every hour will get back to earth and spawn flivvers at the first opportunity, Henry announces. He expects to sell a million cars a year, and he sees longer lines in front of the Ford salesrooms than there are in front of "Oklahoma!"

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As Hank sees it, the people are craving to leap from battles to rattles. They are yearning for the time when the word "objective" will again mean a hotdog stand at the seaside, when a spearhead will be just a point in a traffic jam, and when all communiques will read:

"We made broad advances on all approaches to the bathing beach this morning."

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Ford has been a miracle man in the bomber business, but his heart belongs to Lizzie.

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His one desire is to get back to a vehicle that drops nothing bigger than a nut, ruins nothing but an enemy fender and has but one target: life, liberty and the pursuit of detours.

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Hen was never happy watching those bombers roll off his production lines. They lacked the family touch, the defective headlight and the optional upholstery. He was a dejected figure as he looked at a Ford product which allowed for no back-seat driving, no loose door handles and no complaints about the windshield wiper.

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Henry pioneered the auto in order to give man more pleasure, wider travel and an opportunity for nervous breakdowns over a greater expanse of territory. He never thought any vehicle of his would destroy cities and lick master races.

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He pines for the end of the war and the return of the day when the question of the hour will be "has mother packed the lunch for the trip to Lake Polliwog?" and not "What's the target for tonight?"

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And when the only briefing will be "Keep her down to 45 an hour."

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His idea of a great picture is that of John Smith, Mrs. Smith, the Smith kids and Rover all jammed into the touring car, their faces agleam, their hearts high, with no hatred for anybody except a motorcycle cop, and no desire to kill anybody except the inventor of the red light.

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We're with you, Hank. Down with the bombers! Long live Lizzie!

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MCGOOFEY'S FIRST READER

Q.—Oh, see the towel!

A.—The towel has seen better days.

Q.—Yes, it looks more like a floor mop.

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Q.—Where is the towel?

A.—It is on the counter in many a soda fountain, lunch counter or milk bar.

Q.—What is the towel there for?

A.—To keep the counter clean and sanitary.

Q.—Are you kidding?

A.—No, but the board of health must be.

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Q.—Who is this?

A.—This is John Q. Public.

Q.—He looks sick.

A.—He IS sick.

Q.—What is the matter with him? Oh, why is he in such condition?

A.—Those soda fountain, milk bar and lunch room towels have a lot to do with it.

Q.—Why doesn't he complain?

A.—He did.

Q.—What happened?

A.—The attendant asked if he didn't know there was a war on.

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Q.—Who is this?

A.—This is an attendant.

Q.—How can you tell?

A.—By the dirty apron and dirty towel.

Q.—What is that spot where he is washing the glasses?

A.—That is dirty water.

Q.—Isn't there a health law on that, too?

A.—Aw, stop kiddin', will ya?

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Prof. Morton C. Kahn of Cornell has discovered that mosquitoes have love songs. Each species has its distinct torch number, he declares. We suppose favorite skeeter songs are "Everytime We Say Good Bite," and "Sting for Your Supper."

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DO YOU KNOW HER?

The dame who gets me incoherent
Is the smug and doting parent
Whose own child is a plaster saint
While other children . . . well, just ain't.

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USELESS COWBOY

By ALAN LeMAY — W.N.U. SERVICE

THE STORY THUS FAR: Melody Jones and George Fury rode into Payneville on a route to California. While there Melody was mistaken for the wanted outlaw, Monte Jarrad. Cherry, Monte's girl friend, rushed them out to the farm, where they met Avery, her brother. Informed a posse was after them Melody and Fury left toward the border. They returned and hid in the attic until discovered by Avery. Melody stayed at the ranch that night while Fury returned to Payneville. The next morning Cherry hitched up the buckboard and asked them to follow her along the road. Melody followed without learning the destination. They both knew her plans, however.

CHAPTER VIII

"I don't understand you," Cherry said, looking at him strangely. "Why are you just waiting here to be killed? Any one of the rocks you can see from here, any bunch of greasewood, may have one of the Cotton boys behind it, waiting to kill you. We might have been bushwhacked on the road we just drove. What's the matter with you? Are you trying to die?"

"Huh-uh," said Melody. He cocked his hat to one side, to block the flat rays of the sun.

"Then what in the name of heaven—"

"Well," Melody said with reluctance, "I'll tell you, if you got to know. It's because there's a couple of things I don't understand about this here."

Cherry de Longpre looked at him for a long time with blank eyes.

"I never saw anybody like you before," she said at last. "But I'll tell you why I brought you here."

She drove the mustang team forward a little way, in among the ruins of the ranch. "This is called Burnt Ranch now," she told him. "But it used to be the Rowntree."

"I heard of them old pirates," Melody said.

"Then forget what you heard," she told him shortly.

"Back there behind that big chimney arch, where the adobe still stands so thick—that used to be the fruit cellar," Cherry went on, with such stubbornness that she seemed unperturbed. "Mrs. Rowntree was a great hand for canning stuff. If you hunted under that rubbish, you'd find the broken cans, with labels on 'em that Mrs. Rowntree wrote."

"Canning stuff is a fine thing," Melody said. "Did you ever put up any cinnamon pears?"

"What?"

"Nothin'. Excuse me, ma'am, and go ahaid."

Cherry went ahead and told him what had happened, according to her. The Cottons, she said, came into the valley much later than the Rowntrees. Anybody would think that there was enough land around there for everybody, such as it was, but the Cottons didn't feel that way. They set about driving the Rowntrees out, and their methods were an old story all over the West. They started with the handy use of running-irons, and the laming of horses, and sometimes a night stampede; and worked up to a full range-wrecking war, with the killing of an occasional cowboy in what is known as "a fair shoot-out" in some places, as yet.

Then finally a kid cowboy came along, after the Rowntrees had lost about everything they had, and the Rowntrees gave him a job. For a little while things seemed to change; that one cowboy almost reversed the whole course of the war. He had the Cottons so well backed up that it looked as if the Cottons, and not the Rowntrees, were going to be driven out of the valley.

Cherry told all this earnestly, with slow-worded strength of effect.

"The name of this cowboy," Cherry said at the end of it, "was Monte Jarrad."

"I kind of thought," Melody said, "it was going to be him."

In spite of Monte Jarrad's amazing rally, Cherry went on to say, the end of the war had been very bad. The Cottons swarmed down one night with more than forty men. Some of them made pretense that it was an Apache raid, but they turned out to be Cottons when they were dead. They laid siege, intent upon wiping out the Rowntree once and for all, in a single night. Old Newton Rowntree and his wife had only a couple of cowboys there, besides Monte Jarrad, but they fought well, from behind the walls.

One of the cowboys was killed first. Then Newton Rowntree was hit; Cherry showed Melody the angle of the wall where he went down. He was shot in the throat, she said, and bled to death in his wife's arms. Mrs. Rowntree took up his rifle then. Cherry pointed out the window ledge where her head had laid as she died. Monte and an old cowboy called Davy kept on fighting most of the night, until the fires were set.

"So that's why Monte Jarrad is an outlaw now," she finished, snuffling a little. "Old Man Cotton had got himself made sheriff the day before the raid. So now every law in the world is against Monte Jarrad, and always will be. And the southwest won't be satisfied until he's dead."

"You talk good," Melody said with respect. "I've heard lies to trip a bull. I've heard lies that paid off bigger than a hundred dollars. But I never heard no such lies as that lie there."

Cherry turned white; she looked as if she were about to go up in smoke. "You dare use that word to me? You say I—lie—"

"Uh-huh," Melody said. "I reckon you was thinking of Billy the Kid—he used to come up with them kind of monkeyshines all the whole time. How was you to know I always stop by and grub-test at the Rowntrees, whenever I winter in California?"

"You—you do?"

"They raise chickens now," he told her. "They was some of those folks that come out West to get rich. So, they got rich, and moved to California. Or at least," Melody amended, "they moved. Old Man Cotton bought this whole spread for a hundred dollars and a buckboard team.

"Let it go," Cherry said in a dead voice. "I quit."

They sat silent, a certain awkwardness between them.

"I'm hongry," Melody said.

"I'm sorry," Cherry said, without having heard him. She sounded as if she were going to cry. "I got myself into something, and I tried to talk my way out. That's all."

"So I seen," Melody said.

"My family's known Monte Jarrad since he was so high," Cherry said in the same dead voice. "He rode in hurt, and I tried to help him. That's all there was to the whole thing."

"Did he get away okay?" Melody asked with interest.

"They're about to get him. He would have been safe—but you drew the posse back, by being mistaken

"You say I—lie—"

for him. So now he's dry-gulched and through. It wasn't your fault. You didn't mean to draw the posse in. But you did. I've been trying to make you lead the posse away again. But you bucked me down."

"You'd do just about anything for that belly-gunner, wouldn't you," Melody said, out of his dejection.

Cherry snapped out of it; she lowered her voice. "I want you to know I'm sorry I hauled you into this. You've been pretty nice about it, according to your lights. And this is goodbye."

She put her arms about his neck, pulled his head down, and kissed him. Melody made no move for a moment. Then he awkwardly took off his hat, and took her in his arms. "Well, goodbye," he said; and kissed her again.

"Listen," she said, still in his arms. "I don't want you to think I brought you here to ask you to help Monte."

"Well, goodbye," Melody said again, but this time she ducked.

"I want you to know," she whispered desperately, "that I'm not asking you to help Monte. Nothing was farther from what I meant."

"Oh?"

"Such a thing never entered my head."

Melody released her, slowly. "Then why," he asked her, "have you got Monte's saddle here in the buckboard, under that there blanket?"

Cherry gasped. "I—I didn't know it was there," she faltered.

"I'd of thought," Melody said, "you might of noticed it, while you was tying that sack of flour to it, just before we left."

Cherry's eyes dropped. "I don't know why I lie to you," she said after a pause.

"Neither do I." He swung down off the buckboard. "Hold them broom-tails a minute."

He went to the tail of the buckboard, and unsaddled Harry Henshaw. Then he got Monte Jarrad's great silver-mounted saddle from the buckboard where it was hidden, and swung it aboard Harry. Monte's saddle weighed better than sixty pounds, and Harry Henshaw looked a little bit as though he were looking out of a dog house. Somehow it also made Harry look pigeon-toed on both sides, instead of just the one.

When Melody looked up from tying the latigo, Cherry was staring at him in utter dumbfoundment.

"You're—you're going to do it?"

"Whut? Change saddles? Oh, sure. Ain't that whut you wanted me to do?"

"Yes," she admitted, in a very small voice.

He saluted her with one gloved hand, and reined Harry Henshaw away. "I guess I got to be going, now."

"Wait!" Cherry called sharply; and he turned back. "That—that's the wrong way! You can't ride down that way! That's toward Payneville!"

"I know," Melody said. "You see—I got to talk to a feller."

As soon as Melody was out of sight, Cherry turned and went whaling back to the Busted Nose. She got there with her ratty team blowing and lathering; and Monte Jarrad was at her buckboard wheel, even before she could jump down.

"I'm glad you're ready to ride," she said before he spoke. "It's time to be out of here, Monte. Avery, how in time did you get past me on the road?"

The deceptive thing about Avery was that he made his long, sullen silences and his secretive eyes suggest a singular wisdom; people always listened when he spoke, because it was seldom. Then they were let down by the triviality of the long-awaited remark.

"Oh, I got ways," he answered her.

"There's a couple of things you need to know," she said, looking him directly in the eyes. "Neighbors used to mean a lot, back in Pike County. Because people were few and far between. And they hung onto each other, for better or worse. So we were there; so we broke a colt together, when we were eleven years old."

"Named him Dusty," Monte said.

That made Cherry falter a little. "I didn't reckon you'd remember."

"I remember, Cherry."

"All right. All right, Monte. But you've got to know something. I wouldn't risk one thread of that stranger boy's shirt to pull you out of this!"

He stared at her blankly through most of that, but on the last of it a kind of humor came into his eyes. "You done that already," he said.

"I didn't," she said breathily, as much to herself as to him. "I didn't—I didn't, and I won't."

His stiff-cheeked smile pushed up the lower lids of his eyes. "It'll be a long day, the day you ever quit me," he said.

She stared at him defiantly; but presently her eyes dropped. "I guess so, Monte."

"There's only one thing you got to be sure to do," he said clearly. "After they get him you got to go and identify him."

She shrugged that off, almost with contempt. "He can easy enough prove who he is!"

Monte's eyes snapped back to her face. "I reckon he isn't going to prove much, after he's dead."

"They—they aren't going to—"

"I should judge they'll bring the body in. But if they don't, you've still got to make sure they bury him as me."

Cherry was staring at him as if she couldn't believe her ears. She managed a shaky flare-up. "Nothing like this is going to happen! Even if they should catch him—"

Monte chuckled, but it hurt his side, and he finished straight-faced. "All he better hope is that there's a tree handy, so they don't have to hang him by draggin' him."

"I don't believe you," Cherry said again. He could hardly hear her this time.

"This is the break in the luck," Monte said; "and it's you that done it, honey. I got plans for burnin' this country to the ground, once I get in the clear!"

Cherry sat perfectly still, as if she were hypnotized; she seemed to have lost any ability to move or speak.

Monte started to bend in the saddle; he meant to kiss her. But his wound stopped him as if he were caught with a fishhook. "I'm headin' south for the border," he told her; "I'll send for you as soon as your job here is done."

He forced one more grin, then lifted his reins and followed Avery, his pony at a running walk.

As he swung down in Payneville's Court street, Melody Jones took one more look at the low sky beyond the town. A haze to the southwest might or might not be the dust of the posse coming in. He could not tell how far away it was, but he judged that what time he had would be none too much.

Melody crossed the boardwalk and went into the Last Chance bar, walking with such slow, light steps that the spur-irons hardly whispered at his heels. He had pulled the buckskin glove from his right hand and stuck it in his belt as he supposed Monte Jarrad might do in walking into uncertainties. His knees were stiff as boards, but his face was as blank as could have been wished by Unsmiling Jones. His intent watchfulness had left it empty, except for the restless switch of his eyes.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

THE moviegoing public thinks of **Monty Woolley** as a middle-aged brat with a beard who has made good in a big way.

Although Monty (who was christened Edgar) will probably deny it, much of this is due primarily to "the Beard" himself. Just now it pleases him to be sick and tired of the tag and threadbare jests about his hirsute adornment. But there was a day when Monty welcomed any flip remark about his chin curtain as furthering his name and fame. If you're fortunate enough to catch Edgar Montillion Wooley on one of his talkative days he'll give you a story of the weird ups and downs that have beset him from the cradle. He'll tell you the way was not smooth for Woolley even before he became the bearded half of the **Gracie Fields-Monty Woolley** team which is box office honey right now. That combination, which has just culminated in "Molly and Me," has provided the Beard with a new screen personality. It has sandpapered down the cutting edge of his acidulous screen personality to a likable old devil whose bark is louder than his bite. But regardless of this, his beard—that hated wind-wooing alfalfa, to hear him talk—still figures as the most salable feature of the Woolley personality.

Monty Woolley

Gracie Fields

Get Out of My Beard!

When Woolley once told me: "I'm sick and tired of this printed drool about my whiskers. For heaven's sake, Hedda, keep my beard out of your typewriter! So far as the public is concerned I've ceased to be an actor or even a man with any personality. I'm just a beard now, and in the future I want no more talk of it!"—I fell for it head over heels. Imagine, then, my surprise to find "Molly and Me" featuring a scene—one of the funniest in the picture, incidentally — pitched entirely around Monty's chin wool.

Then I learned he turned down a starring role in "Colonel Effingham's Raid" because it called for a smooth face.

At the time Woolley became professor of English at Yale university that seemed a career worthy of fighting for. In the suave superiority of his classroom position Monty gave deep thought to the finest nuances of the language. Spoke his sentences with elegance and precision.

But the theater was strong at the back of his mind and he asked for the post of dramatic director.

George Pierce Baker's appointment to the post precipitated Monty's resignation. Brought on a penniless and dispirited period in which Monty appealed to his friends in the theater. They didn't fail him; he ended this phase by directing "Fifty Million Frenchmen," "Champagne Sec," and "Jubilee"—no mean record. But his friends in Hollywood were directing pictures at plush salaries. So Monty landed in movietown.

That Beard Again

Now the beard comes into the picture once again. The beard got Monty his first job in movies—a Russian impresario. But **Walter Connolly**—a fat man without a beard—continued to get the parts Monty had his eye on.

Monty turned back to the theater for solace. Was on the eve of returning to Broadway to direct another play when Moss Hart rang him, asking him to play the lead role in a play called "Strange People." If I remember correctly. The play turned out to be "The Man Who Came to Dinner." It put the Beard right in the bead of the spotlight. Hollywood didn't see him again until Warners determined to make the picture with **Bette Davis.** But Bette demanded him and got him. Then 20th Century got Monty for "The Pied Piper," signed him to a long-termer out of which came a unique romantic team—the Gracie Fields - Monty Woolley combination. These two invest an autumn love story with a sprig of spring.

"Why not?" shouts the veteran of many bitterly fought artistic battles. "All things being considered, a beard covers almost any facial defect and in the long run makes its wearer look younger. Yes, and feel younger, too. So there!"

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Carl L. Brown, Publisher

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 1945

State of Maine
PROCLAMATION
By The Governor

WHEREAS, The Maine State Guard and the Maine State Guard Reserve now constitute the only authorized military forces in the State since the reduction and withdrawal of Federal Troops, and

WHEREAS, The internal security of the State is dependent upon the strength and efficiency of State Guard troops who must now be properly trained to carry out a great variety of missions for the protection and preservation of life and property, and

WHEREAS, The duties and responsibilities of the State Guard are destined to be expanded during the present year and the early post war period and/or until the return of the National Guard, and

WHEREAS, The strength, calibre and training of any contemplated National Guard units are factors that cannot now be determined until proper Federal regulations have been issued, and

WHEREAS, The current quotas assigned the State of Maine for induction into the Federal armed forces by the National Selective Service are summoning many who are now enrolled in the State Guard and

WHEREAS, It is particularly urgent at this time that there be more men of the State in the 30-50 year group who could be of great benefit to themselves and the State by enrolling in the State Guard.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HORACE HILDRETH, Governor of Maine and Commander-in-Chief of the Military Forces of the State, do hereby proclaim The week of April 29-May 5

STATE GUARD RECRUITING WEEK

And I urge all citizens to give their support to this campaign, that young men of high school age as well as older men enroll in the State Guard in order that the proper strength, training and preparation for any emergency may be attained.

Given at the Office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine this 10th day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Sixty-ninth.

HORACE HILDRETH
By the Governor Governor
Harold L. Goss, Secretary of State

LOCKE MILLS

Adelaide W. Lister, Correspondent

Defense stamps were purchased as follows last week at the Village school: Primary, $9.35; Intermediate, $24.65; Grammar, $24.30.

Allan Ring, Arnold and Reynold Jordan were purchasers of Bonds last week.

Mrs Bertha Emmons, who has been ill for the past week, was out Monday, for the first time.

T-5 Gordon L Roberts returned Monday from a visit with his mother and family.

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

A meeting of the Upton Hillside 4-H Club met at the home of Mrs C A Judkins last Saturday afternoon. All members were present except Ruth Judkins, who didn't come home from Gould Academy over the week end.

The regular meeting of the Farm Bureau was held at the home of Mrs C A Judkins on Wednesday, April 18 with 8 members and three visitors present The subject of the meeting was "Cleaning Sewing machines and use of attachments" conducted by Mrs Virginia Brown, H D A and Miss Charlotte Cleaves, State Clothing Specialist. Four sewing machines were cleaned. Dinner was served at noon by Mrs Bertha Judkins and Mrs Jennie Judkins.

Edgar Worcester arrived from Hartford, Conn, Wednesday night last week. After remaining in town for two days he took his wife and two children with him and started for his new job in Kentucky.

There has been a bear coming near John Angevine's buildings for several nights.

V-Mail letters have been received by his parents Mr and Mrs C A Judkins from Lt Albert E Judkins since he started overseas. The first one was written from Egypt on Easter Sunday, the next two were written from India

Miss Agnes Angevine had a birthday party at her home Sunday, April 22.

Everett Angevine and family of Pine Point called on his mother, Mrs Gladys Angevine, Sunday.

Mrs Gwendolyn Holt and daughter, Helen Han spent the week end at their home in Bethel.

Roland Bernier has been plowing for several people in town.

Mr and Mrs Henry Barbin of Berlin, N H spent the week end at Camp Gordon.

Callers in town Sunday were Perley Flint of Bethel on his way to Bosebuck Camps and Mr and Mrs Stanley Brown and daughter of Bethel.

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Hunt's Corner Cemetery Association will be held at the Grange Hall at Hunts Corner May 12, 1945 at 8 P M.

Signed
H. I. BEAN, President

GILEAD

Elgin Tibbetts left Monday for Fort Devens, Mass.

Bruce Brown and Harold Moore are spending a few days at the Moore home.

Mrs M J Cook and son S 1|c Jesse Cook and Robert Wade of Portland spent the week end with Mrs Cook's cousin, Mrs Florence Holder.

Mrs Beatrice Noyes of West Burlington, Vt, is a guest of her sister, Mrs Russell Cole.

Roscoe Lane of Upton was a recent guests of relatives in town.

Mrs Elmira Thresher has returned to her home in Head Tide after spending several weeks at the home of Mrs G D Daniels.

Paul Roberts and family of Norway spent the week end at their home here.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

Fred C Aalto died in Monson Wednesday where he was employed as a woodsman. Funeral services were held Sunday from the I W Andrews Funeral Home, South Woodstock. Interment at King Hill Cemetery, Paris. Surviving are his widow, Mrs Tynne L Aalto, three daughters, Mary and Annie Aaalto and Mrs Mary Jackson, two sons, Pfc Fred Aalto now somewhere in Germany and Matti Aalto, West Paris.

There will be a rummage sale at W Paris Grange Hall Saturday at 1 P M.

Mrs Irvin L Bowker of Portland was the guest of her aunt, Mrs H R Tuell, Monday.

ROWE HILL

Callers at Bryants the week end of April 22 were Miss Marjorie Ring and friend, Miss Lillian Ring and Sylvia Ring of West Peru.

Miss Sylvia Ring spent several days last week at Wilmer Bryant's.

Wilmer Bryant and Winifred Hanscom also Chester Record were in Rumford and West Peru last Thursday.

Mrs Bryant was in Bethel last Friday.

Osman Palmer hauled a load of hay from Irvin Martin's last Monday.

Mr and Mrs Colby Ring entertained their five grandchildren from Greenwood Center while their mother, Mrs Glen Martin was in Portland.

Mrs Winifred Hanscom spent the week end with her sister, Mrs Durward Lang at Locke Mills.

Mrs Ethel Martin, Greenwood Centre called at Lewis Libby's and Mrs Margaret Bryant's Sunday.

Colby Ring was in Bethel Saturday.

Miss Eunice Palmer was home from Berlin the week end of the 15th.

WEST GREENWOOD

Fred Littlewood returned to Athol, Mass, last week.

Mrs Alden Wilson and children spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs Walter Brown, on Grover Hill.

Paul Croteau and Joe Cyr are working for Fred L'ttlefield in Albany.

Mrs George Fuller of Sabattus and Mrs Edward Capillon and daughters of Attleboro, Mass., returned to their homes Thursday.

Merton Conner and Eldridge Corey of Portland were callers at Paul Croteau's Sunday.

Mrs Willis Bartlett visited her sister, Mrs B L Harrington, the first of the week.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Richard Carter went to Portland Thursday to have his physical examination for the Army.

Mr and Mrs Lawrence Kimball of Lewiston were at their home here Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Christie Bennett, of Norway and MOMM Levi Boulanger and Mrs Boulanger called on Mrs Augustus Carter Friday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs L C Stevens spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs Ernest Swan at Dixfield.

Harold Bartlett Jr has been very ill with the flu.

Richard Stevens and Mr and Mrs Ranald Stevens were in Norway Monday evening.

Richard Lawrence is doing some work at the Brick End House.

"We've been tricked! Mom's got us training for spring housecleaning."

BRYANT POND

Mrs Inez Whitman, Correspondent

The Star Birthday Club was entertained Thursday, April 19, at the home of Mrs Elsie Cole with Mrs Bessie Billings, Mrs Viola Meserve and Mrs Edith Abbott as assistant hostesses. Twenty-one members were present and after the business meeting a contest of guessing pictures of noted people was won by Mrs Gertrude Redman, and a map drawing contest by Mrs Gertrude Davis. Refreshments were served. The May meeting will be held the evening of the 17th at the home of Mrs Nellie Billings.

The Susan E Haswell Mission Society met with the Pres., Mrs Verna Swan Tuesday evening, April 17th. The President appointed as nominating committee to appoint the officers for the coming year, Irene Keehlwetter, Orissa Walcott and Edith Whitman, 2nd Vice Pres. Alice Chute had charge of the profiram on Foreign missions. Refreshments were served.

Mrs James Farrar and Mrs Otis Dudley spent the week end in Lynn, Masachusetts.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews, Mr and Mrs Porter Swan and daughter Arlene, spent the week end at Harpswell.

Carl Swan has moved his family into the house owned by Victor Brooks.

Mrs Isabel Brown and children, Aldis and Danny, have come to make their home with her father, Herbert Noyes. Her husband, Daniel Brown enters the service this week.

Robert Scherf, Chief Petty Officer 1-c, of Ayer, Mass was the week end guest of Mr and Mrs Claude S Cushman.

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All Other Assets	97,634.59
Gross Assets	$8,961,875.42
Deduct Items Not Admitted	296,250.47
Admitted	$8,665,624.95

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$964,396.00
Unearned Premiums	4,035,886.13
All other Liabilities	447,824.86
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Agents' Balances	1,173,545.00
Bills Receivable	43,180.35
Interest and Rents	39,433.33
All other Assets	791,447.98
Gross Assets	$24,581,509.62
Deduct items not admitted	140,250.88
Admitted	$24,441,258.74

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$2,676,945.00
Unearned Premiums	7,970,352.50
All other Liabilities	2,757,368.71
Cash. Capital	4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	7,036,592.53
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$24,441,258.74

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Stocks and Bonds	$7,978,056.06
Agents' Balances	597,092.59
Cash in Office and Bank,	2,038,212.79
Bills Receivable	1,431.18
Interest and Rents	29,812.48
All other Assets	962,771.33
Gross Assets	$11,607,376.43
Deduct items not admitted,	45,110.98
Admitted	$11,562,265.45

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$1,733,586.21
Unearned Premiums	3,888,397.21
All other Liabilities	483,088.21
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	4,457,193.82
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$11,562,265.45

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Stocks and Bonds	21,837,412.16
Cash in Office and Bank	2,320,127.25
Agents' Balances	1,611,676.60
Interest and Rents	46,086.51
All other Assets	2,126,382.16
Gross Assets	$30,960,725.82
Deduct items not admitted,	1,773,990.27
Admitted	$29,186,735.55

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$2,861,356.00
Unearned Premiums	10,756,396.31
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Bills Receivable	3,972.06
Interest and Rents	23,364.96
All other Assets	46,785.13
Gross Assets	$8,780,841.92
Deduct items not admitted	35,119.17
Admitted Assets	$8,745,722.75

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$478,875.63
Unearned Premiums	1,436,721.94
All other Liabilities	94,879.06
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	5,735,245.22
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$8,745,722.75

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Real Estate	$72,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	322,757.00
Agents' Balances	51,068.14
Cash in Office and Bank	254,693.59
Interest and Rents	3,607.13
All other Assets	4,737.85
Gross Assets	$708,863.71
Deduct items not admitted	68.94
Admitted	$708,794.77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	32,261.13
Unearned Premiums	406,079.14
All other Liabilities	12,773.56
Surplus over all Liabilities,	257,680.94
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$708,794.77

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United States Branch
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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Stocks and Bonds	$6,443,905.93
Cash in Office and Bank	483,518.27
Agents' Balances	826,480.87
Interest and Rents	24,331.68
All other Assets	98,404.36
Gross Assets	$7,876,641.16
Deduct items not admitted	180,214.58
Admitted	$7,696,426.58

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses,		$1,665,249.89
Unearned Premiums		3,079,439.07
All other Liabilities,		396,853.07
Statutory Deposit	500,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,054,884.55	2,554,884.55
Total Liabilities and Surplus		$7,696,426.53

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Mortgage Loans	$4,450.00
Stocks and Bonds	26,042,638.28
Cash in Office and Bank	1,646,889.17
Agents' Balances	1,416,801.73
Bills Receivable	25,236.53
Interest and Rents	105,717.51
All other Assets	200,934.98
Gross Assets	$29,442,670.20
Deduct items not admitted	73,128.33
Admitted	$29,369,541.87

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$3,100,068.93
Unearned Premiums	10,309,410.96
All other Liabilities	1,857,437.39
Cash Capital	5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	8,902,624.59
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$29,369,541.87

On the basis of Dec. 31, 1944 market quotations for all bonds and stocks owned this company's total admitted assets would be increased to $30,251,792.70 and surplus to $9,784,875.42.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Real Estate	$228,578.90
Mortgage Loans	6,000.00
Agents' Balances	822,960.79
Cash in Office and Bank	799,761.90
Stocks and Bonds	6,784,090.59
Bills Receivable	3,409.45
Interest and Rents	56,835.92
All other Assets	31,337.30
Gross Assets	$8,732,974.85
Deduct items not admitted	202,447.38
Admitted	$8,530,527.47

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$624,997.00
Unearned Premiums	4,834,721.72
All other Liabilities	358,281.14
Statutory Deposit	500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,212,527.61
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$8,530,527.47

THE UNITED STATES BRANCH of THE LONDON ASSURANCE
99 John Street, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Mortgage Loans	$8,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	9,577,897.06
Cash in Office and Bank	1,313,449.54
Agents' Balances	619,180.16
Bills Receivable	23,691.22
Interest and Rents	31,098.35
All other Assets	106,695.44
Gross Assets	$11,680,011.77
Deduct items not admitted	94,929.79
Admitted	$11,585,081.98

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$1,724,352.70
Unearned Premiums	3,495,368.40
All other Liabilities	849,897.70
Cash Capital	500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	5,015,463.18
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$11,585,081.98

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Mortgage Loans	$233,829.75
Stocks and Bonds	16,590,861.25
Cash in Office and Bank	6,987,656.43
Agents' Balances	1,808,350.31
Bills Receivable	232,819.03
Interest and Rents	39,875.89
All other Assets	251,194.56
Gross Assets	$26,144,587.27
Deduct items not admitted	181,604.15
Admitted	$25,962,938.12

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	$4,357,756.00
Unearned Premiums	7,504,366.60
All other Liabilities	1,923,921.20
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	11,176,939.32
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$25,962,983.12

On the basis of December 31, 1944 market quotations for all bonds and stocks owned, the total admitted assets and surplus would be increased by $545,704.44.

At This Time This Office Wishes To Extend Sincere Thanks To Its Many Patrons

Kathleen Norris Says:

What About Military Training?

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

"It is only fair to our boys to have them ready. We didn't want it, we tried to do without it, but for 50 years to come I believe we must maintain a huge force."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

MORE than 500 American women have written to ask me what I think of compulsory military service for our American boys and girls. I don't often let political or international questions get into this column, but this is an exception and I want to answer these women in this way:

In a word, I'm for it. I think we might well emulate the Swiss system, which means only a few weeks out of every year, or at least we might make a serious study of that system. But if we are to be drawn into Europe's eternal boundary disputes and imperial quarrels in each succeeding generation, then in the name of common sense let us be ready for it, and save the lives of thousands of our boys by preparedness.

It was my dream for many years that by keeping the peace herself America might set the pace for the world. I still believe she might have done so. I still believe that if European countries had known, definitely and clearly, that we would not interfere in their old quarrels, they would have managed their affairs very differently in the last 25 years.

The northern, civilized countries, respecters of boundaries and of individual rights, would then have gotten together. They would have presented a solid wall to Germany; in the very beginning of her anti-Semitic purges, they would have united a dozen weak armies into one invincible one. They never did. Holland, England, Norway, Sweden, France, Poland, Belgium, Russia—what mightn't they have done against Germany's growing war menace! They never got together.

Europe Won't Unite.

It is my sorrowful belief that they never will. Their claim, when any such federation is suggested, is that their differing languages, religions, backgrounds, traditions, histories make it impossible. This sounds funny in American ears. The truth is that their varying imperial ambitions cross and intercross after a thousand years of shifting loyalties and ineffectual wars, and now cannot be untangled even by their most brilliant statesmen.

So I have no hopes of them. Each one will do what some wise or unwise minister believes best for her, and chaos will result.

Meanwhile we have our own magnificent record, our long friendship with our neighbors, our peaceful skies, our unguarded borders. We know countries may live in peace together, and prosper all the more for that peace. But the deadly virus of war has been scattered everywhere now, and who knows what country will next break forth with improved guns and bombs and gases for a surprise attack?

It is only fair to our boys to have them ready. We didn't want it, we tried to do without it, but for 50 years to come I believe we must maintain a sea and air force of perhaps three million men, and an auxiliary force involving perhaps one-third that many women.

These will be our police. A great city without a police force would be in the same position as a great nation with its navy sunk and its men disarmed. Other nations must know that we are ready to implement with the guns they have forced upon us what we say in defense of decency and honesty.

Might Have Been Stopped.

If our three or four million army had been in readiness eight years ago, when Germany's fanaticism broke forth in her anti-Semitic purges, we might have seen the danger then. We might have warned her then that her maniac leader was starting on the death trail. We might never have had the headlines that you and I are reading today.

Too late for that now. But it is never too late to learn, and I, who preached non-interventionism and neutrality for so many years, from so many platforms, see now that we are a part of the great commonwealth of the world, that we cannot impress upon other nations our own ideals of unfearing friendliness with our neighbors, that we must accept a certain degree of militarism until all nations are wiser, and be ready to say "thus far, and no further," when the next Hitler pops up his ugly head.

Military training is essential to dictatorship, true. But it may be a democratic thing, too, ironing out some of the class consciousness of our boys and girls, helping them to physical fitness, increasing their appreciation of home love and home comfort, broadening their viewpoints in a way that will be beneficial to them all their lives.

I haven't come to it easily. But I've come to it now. We have to have universal military training, and be ready. It may mean, to other countries, an increasing desire for war. It won't be that, to us. We're smarter than that.

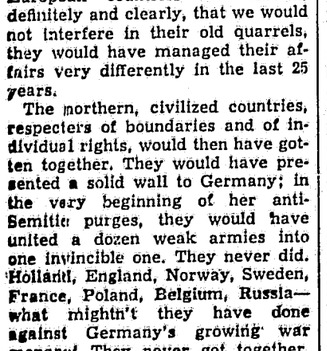
A HARSH NECESSITY

After many years of advocating neutrality and non-intervention, Miss Norris has come to the conclusion that the only security in the future for America lies in a large, permanent force, land, sea and air. This great army and navy will mean universal military training for young men. The women's auxiliary corps will require many thousands of girls too, although a draft of women probably never will be instituted.

There are certain benefits to military training, as Miss Norris points out, that to some extent offset the objections. Better health, wider experience and broader viewpoints are valuable by-products of army life in peacetime.

Girdles Still Scarce

Synthetic rubber is slowly becoming available for manufacture of girdles, but larger quantities of synthetic rubber than natural rubber are required to make the same amount of elastic thread. Also the supply of cotton fabric is still exceedingly short. All this makes it necessary that you get as much wear as possible from the girdle you now have. Wash it frequently with the same care you would give your best hose, and dry it away from direct contact with any radiator.



Ironing out class consciousness.

HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Simplicity Is the Keynote for Entertaining
(See Recipes Below)

Tricks for the Hostess

No smart woman need be in a dilemma when it's time for her to entertain. It takes more than rationing and food shortages to do that. Indeed, if you don't breathe a word about how difficult it was to get it together, your friends will think you are giving them a glimpse of prewar entertaining.

You can stretch the precious meat with a supporting cast of vegetables. If you're serving nonrationed eggs, gild them with a bit of cheese and no one will dream that you had to do some fancy extending.

What about sugar? Well, there are syrups, point-free prepared puddings and molasses. No, there need be no difficulties; dress up your dishes and carry on.

Entertaining is fun, but that means fun not only for the guests but for the hostess. It's all up to you whether the party's going to be pleasant for you or not. Gather your point-easy recipes, plan accordingly and I'm sure it will all come out all right.

Let's pretend your guests are coming in for an evening of conversation and a bit of food later on. You'll want a good beverage or cool drink and with that an unusual cake. Here is one made to order for the occasion:

***Prune Cake.**

2 cups sifted cake flour
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon cinnamon
¼ teaspoon each, ground cloves, nutmeg, allspice
½ cup lard
2 eggs
1 cup prunes, cooked without sugar.
¾ cup milk

Sift together all dry ingredients. Blend about ½ of the mixture with the lard until soft and fluffy. Add unbeaten eggs and beat light. Cut prunes into small pieces and sprinkle with 2 tablespoons of the dry mixture. Add remaining dry ingredients to creamed mixture together with ½ cup of the milk. Stir smooth. Add remaining milk and prune mixture and then pour into greased layer pans. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven until done, 25 to 30 minutes. This cake is good with a mocha or lemon icing.

Delicately spiced cookies are good to have in the cookie box because they're easy to fall back on when the crowd comes in for refreshments:

Maple Nut Balls.

½ cup lard
½ cup brown sugar
⅛ teaspoon salt
½ cup sour milk or buttermilk
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon ginger
1 cup molasses
2¼ cups flour (about)

Cream lard, sugar and salt together. Add sour milk in which soda has been dissolved. Add ginger and molasses and enough flour to make dough that is not sticky. Shape into small balls and bake on oiled pans at 375 degrees. While still hot, press the flat sides together and roll in maple-flavored icing, made with confectioners' sugar. Roll in finely chopped nuts. It takes 10 to 12 minutes to bake cookie balls.

Oatmeal-Mincemeat Cookies.
(Makes 2½ dozen cookies)

1½ cups sifted flour
¼ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup shortening
¾ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
1 egg
1 cup oatmeal, uncooked
½ cup chopped nutmeats
1 cup mincemeat

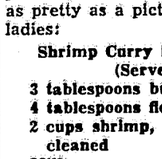
Sift together flour, baking soda and salt. Cream the shortening, add the brown sugar, then egg and beat until light and fluffy. Last fold in oatmeal, nutmeats and mincemeat, blending well. Add flour mixture and stir until all flour disappears. Drop by spoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet. Bake in a moderately hot (375-degree) oven for 12 to 15 minutes.

As main dishes for luncheons or suppers, I'm suggesting two fish dishes which will be substantial enough even if there are hearty appetites present. They can both be as pretty as a picture to please the ladies:

Shrimp Curry in Rice Ring.
(Serves 6)

3 tablespoons butter or fat
4 tablespoons flour
2 cups shrimp, fresh, cooked, cleaned
Milk
2 teaspoons curry powder
4 cups cooked rice
¼ cup dark corn syrup

Melt butter or fat; blend in flour. Gradually add milk to flour mixture, enough to make about 2 cups sauce. Cook, stirring constantly until thickened. Place over hot water, add shrimp. Add curry which has been mixed with a little water. Combine rice with dark corn syrup and pack firmly in a quart mold. Set in a pan of water and bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes. To serve, unmold rice ring and fill center with shrimp mixture.



Salmon Loaf.
(Serves 4 to 6)

2 cups steamed salmon, flaked
½ cup bread crumbs
½ cup milk
1 egg
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon butter, melted

To flaked salmon, add other ingredients in order given. Grease loaf pan and line with cut sweet pickle slices. Pack salmon mixture into this. Set in a shallow pan containing water. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) about 1 hour or until loaf is firm. Unmold onto hot platter and garnish with parsley and stuffed olives or pickle fans.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lynn Says:

Quick Tips: To make a novel dinner or luncheon dish, broil slices of bologna from which casings have been removed. Then fill the cups with creamed potatoes and onions or any other creamed vegetable.

When making hamburgers for a crowd, wrap each individually in waxed paper. The rounds may be cut with a cookie cutter to make them an even size.

When making scalloped potatoes, prepare a complete main dish by placing slices of dried beef in between the sliced potatoes.

Combine mashed sweet potatoes and cooked, crumbled pork sausage meat in a casserole. A topping of freshly sliced pears or apples sprinkled with brown sugar makes this a big favorite. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Liver is delicious when marinated (soaked) in French dressing before broiling or frying.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus

Creamed Deviled Eggs
over Crisp Noodles
Buttered Peas and Celery
Apricot Cottage Cheese Salad
Whole Wheat Bread Spread
*Prune Cake
Beverage

*Recipe given.

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ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. What is the limit set by the U. S. government for first class mail?
2. What language is spoken by more people than any other language?
3. Which is lighter, cork or balsa wood?
4. What is the present population of the United States, including those in the armed forces?
5. Which is correct, anchors away or anchors aweigh?
6. Is there a fixed North pole?
7. When army transport crews fly the "clothesline," where do they go?
8. What was the shape of handkerchiefs before the time of Louis XVI?
9. What does ibid. mean?
10. Who was the first white man to lose his head after seeing the Pacific?

The Answers

1. Seventy pounds is the limit for first class mail.
2. Chinese, including dialects. English is second.
3. Balsa wood (one-half as heavy as cork).
4. 138,100,874, an increase since 1940 of 6,431,599.
5. Anchors aweigh (just clear of the ground and hanging perpendicularly.
6. No. It is the northern extremity of the earth's axis which moves within a small area.
7. From Miami to Brazil or British Guinea where they can get overnight laundry service at prices far below U. S. prices.
8. Oblong.
9. Ibidem (in the same place).
10. Balboa, beheaded for treason.

Gems of Thought

A SOCIETY cannot be founded only on the pursuit of pleasure and power; a society can only be founded on the respect for liberty and justice.—Taine.

Nothing ever becomes real till it is experienced—even a proverb is no proverb to you till your life has illustrated it.—John Keats.

But it is as impossible for a man to be cheated by anyone but himself, as for a thing to be and not to be, at the same time.—Emerson.

The shame is not in having once been foolish but in not cutting the folly short.—Horace.

Opportunities are made as often as they happen.

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Ernie Pyle With the Navy:

Dry, Brown Okinawa Like Indiana in Late Summer

Natives Live Poorly, However; Cultivate Small Farm Tracts

By Ernie Pyle

OKINAWA.—Since this island is the closest to Japan we've landed on and since we seem to feel this really is Japan, rather than just some far outpost, I'll try to describe to you what it looks like.

Actually it doesn't look a great deal different from most of America. In fact it looks much more like America than anything the marines have seen for the last three years.

Ernie Pyle

The climate is temperate rather than tropical, and so is the vegetation. There are tropical-like trees on and near the beaches—I think they're Pandanus bushes. But there are also many trees of the fir family with horizontal limbs.

The country over which my regiment passed during the first two days was cultivated. It rose gradually from the sea and was all formed into small fields.

It didn't look at all unlike Indiana in late summer when things have started to turn dry and brown, except that the fields were much smaller.

The wheat, which looks just like ours, is dead ripe in the fields now. The marines are cutting it with little sickles. In other fields are cane and sweet potatoes.

Each field has a ditch around its edge, and dividing the fields are little ridges about two feet wide. On top of the ridges are paths where the people walk. All through the country are little dirt lanes and now and then a fairly decent gravel road.

As you get inland, the country becomes rougher. In the hills there is less cultivation and more trees. It is really a pretty country. We had read about what a worthless place Okinawa was, but I think most of us have been surprised about how pretty it is.

Poverty and Filth Continue Together

Okinawa civilians we bring in are pitiful. The only ones left seem to be real old or real young. And they all are very, very poor.

They're not very clean. And their homes are utterly filthy. Over and over you hear marines say, "This could be a nice country if the people weren't so dirty."

Obviously their living standard is low. Yet I've never understood why poverty and filth need to be synonymous. A person doesn't have to be well off to get clean. But apparently he has to be well off to want to keep clean. We've found it that way clear around the world. The people here dress as we see Japanese dressed in pictures: women in kimonos and old men in skin-tight pants. Some wear a loose, knee-length garment that shows their skinny legs.

The kids are cute as kids are all over the world. I've noticed marines reaching out and tousling their hair as they marched past them. We're rounding up all the civilians and putting them in camps. They are puzzled by it all.

Most of the farm families must have got out when our heavy bombardments started. Lots of farm houses have either been demolished or burned to the ground before we came. Often, in passing a wrecked farmhouse, you smell the sickening odor of death inside.

But there are always people who won't leave no matter what. We couldn't help feeling sorry for the Okinawans we picked up in the first few days. We found two who spoke a little English. They had once lived in Hawaii. One was an old man who had a son (Hawaiian-Japanese) somewhere in the American army!

They were all shocked from the bombardment and yet I think rather stupid too, so that when they talked they didn't make much sense.

I don't believe they had any idea of what it was all about. As one marine officer said, "The poor devils. I'll bet they think this is the end of the world."

They were obviously scared to death. On Love-Day the marines found many of them hiding from us in caves. They found two old women, 75 or more, in a cave, caring for a paralyzed girl. She wasn't wounded, just paralyzed from natural causes. One of the old ladies had a small, dirty sack with some money in it. When the marines found her she cried and tried to give them the money—hoping I suppose that she could buy herself off from being executed.

After all the propaganda they've been fed about our tortures, it's going to be a befuddled bunch of Okinawans when they discover we brought right along with us, as part of the intricate invasion plan, enough supplies to feed them, too!

* * *

During our first afternoon on Okinawa my group of marines went about a mile and a half inland. Our vehicles were not ashore yet, so we had to pack on our backs everything we had.

Personally, I was overladen as usual. I had two canteens, a musette bag, a blanket rolled up in a poncho, three rubber life preservers, a shovel, and assorted knives, first aid kits, etc. Furthermore, I had on two pairs of pants, was carrying two jackets, and it was hotter than hell.

Anyhow, we finally got where we were going. We stopped on a hillside, threw down our gear, connected our phones to wires on the ground, and were ready for business. That is, the others were. Me, I lay down on the grass and rested for an hour.

Finds Nice Spot To Go to Sleep

After that we began getting ready for the night. We figured the Japs would bomb us all night, that their artillery would soon start up from the hills, and that when it got dark, some slinky infiltrators would start infiltration.

So we dug foxholes. The slope was so steep I chose a nice depression at the foot of a small embankment that didn't require much digging.

Now we come to the life preservers. You may have wondered why I was carrying three lifebelts on dry land. Well, I knew what I was doing all right.

I just blew up my three life preservers, spread them in the foxhole and I had the nicest improvised Simmons you ever saw. We finally got onto that trick after a few invasions in Europe and I slept all last summer in France comfortably on three blown-up preservers.

Everybody who wasn't on guard at the edge of our little camp, or who wasn't standing duty at the field telephones went to bed, for in Jap country you don't move around at night unless you have to.

Going to bed was merely a figure of speech for everybody except me. I seemed to be the only one who had brought a blanket and I definitely was the only one who had nice soft life preservers to sleep on.

The others slept on the ground in their foxholes with their ponchos wrapped around them. A poncho is wind and waterproof, but it has no warmth. In fact, it seems to draw all the warmth out of your body and transmit it into the air.

The day had been hot, but the night got mighty cold. And a very heavy dew came gradually, soaking everything. All the others practically froze and got very little sleep. But for once in my life, I was warm as a bug.

But I didn't sleep too much. There's always a flaw somewhere. My flaw was the mosquitoes. I've never been so tortured by mosquitoes as that first night on Okinawa.

They were persistent. They were tenacious. And they were the noisiest mosquitoes I've ever associated with. They were so noisy that when I pulled the blanket over the side of my face and covered my ears tight I could still hear them.

I doused my face twice with the mosquito repellant which the marines had issued, but it did no good whatever. It was 11 o'clock before I finally got asleep. At 2 a. m. I awakened and knew something was wrong. What was wrong was my face.

My upper lip was swollen so that I thought I had a pigeon egg under it. My nose was so swollen the skin was stretched tight over it. And my left eye was nearly shut.

Those mosquitoes really put a scare into me. For they say Okinawa is malarial and I certainly got enough mosquito venom that night to malariaize half of California. So bright and early, I started taking atabrine for the first time in my life.

Okinawa Strange Invasion Beachhead

Never before had I seen an invasion beach like Okinawa.

There wasn't a dead or wounded man in our sector of it. Medical corpsmen were sitting among their sacks of bandages and plasma and stretchers, with nothing to do.

There wasn't a single burning vehicle. Nor a single boat lying wrecked on the reef or shoreline.

There was hardly anybody at all on the beach when we landed. The few assault waves ahead of us had pushed on inland. And all that vast welter of people and machines that make a beach hum with work were still many waves behind us.

The bulldozers and the jeeps had not yet arrived. There was no activity and hardly any sound. It was almost as though we were the original explorers.

Skullduggery

By J. D. RYAN
McClure Newspaper Syndicate, WNU Features.

AS BILL SMITH hiked along the macadam road toward Summerfield, the draft board center, he had ample opportunity to calculate his chances of being drafted.

It was now six months after Pearl Harbor; he was twenty-two, strong and physically sound. He recalled how eager he had been to sign on when his boss sent for him. "Now, Bill," he began, "I don't want you to get any of these wild ideas in your head about enrolling. So far as war contribution is concerned, you'd be doing far more for your country by remaining here. You're a pretty valuable man."

Bill cleared his throat noisily. "That's all right for you to say, Mr. Jones, but I'm wondering what people will think about an able-bodied man working in a factory when he should be shouldering a rifle."

The executive pursed his lips. "Yes, there's something to that, Bill." He gazed reflectively out the office window. "Tell you what Bill, you forget this volunteer business. In time, if you're needed, you'll be called. That way I'll have a chance to break in a new man. How's that strike you?"

Bill considered this proposition carefully. "O.K., boss," he decided. "I'll help you here until my number comes up."

"That's swell." Mr. Jones shook hands with him to end the interview.

Bill carried out his part of the bargain. Night after night he stayed overtime to expedite production. He was earning big money but dissatisfaction gnawed within him. "Won't be long now before I'll receive my selective service papers. They'll be singing 'You're in the Army Now.'"

When the questionnaire came, Bill filled it out scrupulously, fearing to make an error which might delay his classification.

His job seemed drudgery now. Each day at mail delivery time he telephoned his landlady to inquire about letters. Then, when he had resigned himself to disappointment, a penny postal arrived with the curt statement—Your classification is 2A. Necessary to defense.

A wave of bitterness swept over him—2A. Who were they to decide on his case without a physical examination? He had expressly noted that he preferred the rating 1A. And this was their answer. How did they come to settle on that?

Then with stunning clarity he knew. Mr. Jones. He must have written, asking for deferment. If the boss said Bill was necessary to his business, that would end it. No wonder they had placed him in 2A.

"What am I going to do about it?" Bill asked himself. There must be some way to beat the old man at his own game.

At the plant he noticed how the chief avoided him. Just as well for his peace of mind, Bill thought, his blue eyes flashing dangerously.

A few weeks later Bill was called for a physical examination for reclassification. The boss was wearing a "cat that swallowed the canary" expression. "You're in this time, old boy," he prophesied. "I told you not to worry, but I suppose you couldn't help it. Young fellows are always impatient."

Bill had traveled about a half-mile when a car overtook him. "Lift, Buddy?" the driver invited.

Bill looked at the out of state plates, and shook his head. "Thanks all the same. Just a short distance to go."

The driver meshed his gears and was soon out of sight. Then another car stopped. Bill smilingly refused the offer of a second lift.

When the third car stopped Bill accepted. "Going far? the driver inquired.

"To Summerfield."

"Just where I'm going."

"That's swell," said Bill. "I have to take a physical at the draft board."

"Think you'll make it?"

Bill tongued his cheek. "Heck, so far as that's concerned I'm all right. They won't take me and that's all right, too."

The driver flicked his gaze from the road to stare at Bill. "How do you figure that?"

Bill smiled sardonically. "A guy's a sucker to get in the army for fifty bucks a month when he can make that in less than a week in a machine shop. They praise you, too, and tell you how patriotic you are." He nudged the man to press his point. "Why, my boss just writes the board, tells them I'm indispensable and—presto, I'm deferred. It's a racket, I tell you." The driver edged away from him. At the outskirts of town Bill said, "I'll get out here," and thanked him. "Be seeing you," he waved.

"You're right, you will," the other promised grimly.

Bill grinned. "I'll have to seem awfully surprised when I see that guy on the board. Let Jones try to get me in 2A now." He headed toward the local office humming, "You're in the Army Now."

Iced Tea

For iced tea, make tea twice as strong as for hot tea. Use freshly boiled water. Pour this freshly made hot tea in a glass that contains one tablespoon honey and ice cubes.

SCHOOL DAZE

General Hap Arnold's small granddaughter has spent her childhood in a sequestered army post outside Washington, in a wooded section of Virginia. Attending school for the first time, her parents were surprised when she came home crying. Her mother met her at the door and asked what was the matter.

The little six-year-old replied, "The teacher showed me a seat and told me to wait there for the present."

"Well," said mama, "didn't you like it?"

"Yes," replied the child, with a fresh outburst of tears, "but I didn't get the present."

SOUR PUSS

Bootblack—Shine your shoes, mister?

Passerby—No.

Bootblack—Shine 'em so you can see your face in 'em.

Passerby—No!

Bootblack—Don't blame you.

Decidedly Wrong

Hubby—Is this Harbor 8212? Listen, dear, will it be all right if I bring a couple of friends home with me for dinner?

Wifey—Why, of course. I'm glad to have them.

Hubby—Oh, pardon me, lady, I must have the wrong number.

Solomon's Choice

Harry—If a chicken lays an egg on a fence between your property and mine, whose egg would it be?

Jerry—I don't know. Whose?

Harry—The chicken's!

Wedded Bliss

Jane—My husband and I were married and lived happily for two years.

Joan—Then what happened?

Jane—He came home!

99 or Bust!

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Gun Shy

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Simple Recipe

Blondie—It's tough baking a butterscotch pie now that butter is so hard to get.

Dummie—Yeah and it's even harder to get the scotch!

Let's Have It

Jim—Why do you call your girl "Shovel"?

Tim—Because she's always passing all the dirt.

Night Work

Harry—And Bill woke up and found himself a success.

Jerry—My guess is he wasn't ever asleep.

A-A-A-H-OUCH!

Mother—Now, Tommy, be a good boy and say "Ah-h-h" for the doctor so he can get his hand out of your mouth.

One Wonder Wonders

Kate—Bill told me I was the eighth wonder of the world.

Kitty—And what did you say to him?

Kate—I told him not to let me catch him with any of the seven others.

Drowned Out

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Soldier—Yeah, she's pretty well oiled.

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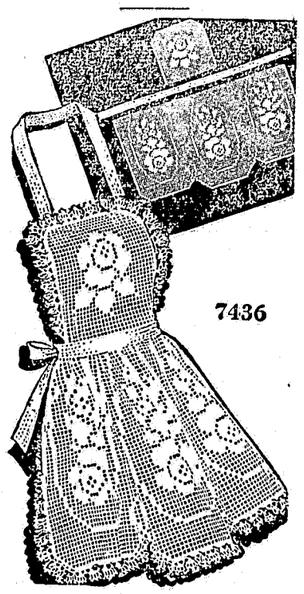

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Household Hints

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To remove rust from nickel, grease well with any kind of lubricant, let stand for a few minutes, then rub with cloth soaked in ammonia. Rinse with water and polish.

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When painting woodwork, coat the door knobs, locks, etc., with vaseline, so that the paint can be easily wiped off if it splashes on these surfaces.

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After oiling the sewing machine, stitch through a blotter several times. This takes up all surplus oil on the machine, and keeps from getting it on the material.

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You can clean glazed chintz by spreading it on a flat surface and sponging quickly with lukewarm water. Press on the wrong side with a warm iron or on the right side using a slightly dampened pressing cloth.

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Carrots with no tops stay crisp longer than those that have the leaves left on.

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Turn the mattress every week, first from end to end, next from side to side to get maximum wear and comfort from it.

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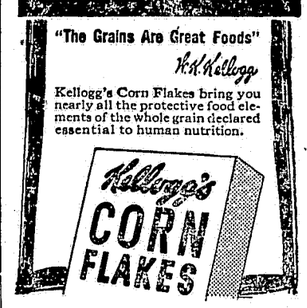

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1 teaspoon nutmeg

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BORN

At Lewiston, April 22, to S|Sgt and Mrs Dwight Morrill of North Waterford, a daughter, Darlene Frances.

MARRIED

At Portland, Feb. 4, by Rev Bertha F Pettengill, William A Danforth of Portland and Mrs Maude Judkins of Bethel.

At Locke Mills, April 23, by Rev John J Foster, Roger H Twitchell of Bryant Pond and Miss Norma Louise Tirrell of Locke Mills.

DIED

At North Newry, April 22, Mrs Cora S Brown, aged 71 years.

At West Paris, April 19, R Thomas Flavin, aged 80 years.

At Bath, April 24, Henry Enman, formerly of Bethel, aged 86 years.

At West Farmington, April 25, Mrs Annie Riggs Craig, aged 79 years.

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HANOVER

Correspondent—
Mrs. W. W. Worcester

Roy Stearns has sold his farm to J Arsenault. He has bought the Cheslie Saunders place and is moving this week.

Vern Lapham suffered a heart attack and was taken to the Rumford Community hospital last week.

Ira Brown and family and Frank Worcester and family spent Sunday at the Brown Camp at Howard Lake.

C F Saunders was in town moving his goods from his place this week.

Mrs Lee Richardson and two daughters returned to their home in Bangor after spending a week at the home of Mr and Mrs Parker Russell.

C O Poor arrived in town last week.

Miss Rose Howe came out from the lakes last week to have some teeth extracted, returning to Middle Dam, Monday.

The funeral of Walter Abbott, Rumford Point, who died at the Cole Nursing home at Dixfield was held at the Barker Funeral Parlors last Thursday afternoon.

A fire which caught from a spark from the chimney on the Will Thomas house, set the roof blazing. It was first seen by Ella Russell, who notified Ira and Bobby Brown. By their prompt work, assisted by Tony Croteau it was under control by the time the Rumford Point fire department arrived. Owing to the high winds the Rumford fire truck was called as it could have been much more serious.

Mrs Pauline Lovejoy returned from Lisbon Falls Tuesday.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mr and Mrs Everett Cole were in Lewiston Saturday.

Willard Farwell and family have moved to East Bethel to the home of his father, O B Farwell. He will work at home on the farm.

Moulton Jones and family of Lebanon, Mr and Mrs Leo Hemingway of Norway and other relatives visited Sunday at Mr and Mrs Arthur Whitman's.

Mrs Edgar Davis, Emma, Robert and Phillip were guests Saturday at Emil Heikkinen's at West Paris.

Emma Davis was at Harry Howe's several nights last week.

Mr and Mrs Ed Taylor spent Sunday with Mrs Mertie Hardy

Mrs Clinton Buck has been soliciting money for the Honor Roll.

Emma Davis spent Sunday afternoon with June Bryant.

Mr and Mrs George Abbott were at Bethel one day last week They called to see Mrs Nannette Foster, also Mr and Mrs Durward Lang at Locke Mills.

Mr and Mrs Burtram Cox were Monday evening guests at C James Knights.

Dana Dudley stayed with his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Herman Cole over the week end. His mother was visiting her sister, Miss Evelyn Knights at Lynn Mass.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed Exrx. of the estate of Clarence W. Hall, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

HARRIET H. HALL
Bethel, Maine.
April 17th, 1945. 19

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five from day to day from the third Tuesday of said April. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1945, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Cornelia A. Wheeler, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Roger W. Wheeler as administrator of the estate of said deceased, with bond, presented by Roger W. Wheeler, heir-at-law.

George K. Hastings, late of Bethel, deceased; First account presented for allowance by Robert D Hastings, administrator.

William S. Hastings, late of Bethel, deceased; First account presented for allowance by Ruth C. Hastings, administratrix.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register. 19

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

John J. Foster, Minister

9:45 Church School. Mrs Loton Hutchinson, Superintendent.

11:00 Kindergarten, Mrs Ordell Anderson and Miss Marlene Anderson in charge.

11:00 Morning Worship Sermon Topic "It Pays to Gamble."

The Pilgrim Fellowship will meet in the Chapel at 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening. The study of the interesting books of the Bible will continue as the program.

The Year-Round Club will meet in the Chapel on Wednesday night at seven o'clock. This is an important meeting as new officers for next year will be elected at this meeting.

On Thursday evening, May 3rd, at eight o'clock, the Ladies Club will entertain the Methodist ladies and the Guild in Garland Chapel. Mr Foster will give a brief book review following which an entertainment of stunts, skits and games will be presented.

The Annual State Conference of the Congregational Christian Church will be held in the Woodfords Church, Portland, Maine ,on Tuesday ,May 1st.

METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor

9:45 Church School. Miss Minnie Wilson, Superintendent.

11:00 Morning worship service. Sermon theme: Christianity's Opportunity. The church will be host to the Odd Fellows.

6:45 Youth Fellowship meeting at the Church. Miss Minnie Wilson and Laura will have charge of the devotional service. The pastor will begin with a course in Church Membership Training to which all members and others interested are most urgently invited.

On Tuesday, May 1st, the Men's Brotherhood will have its monthly meeting. Supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

Sunday morning the church will have as guests the members of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges, who will attend the service in a body.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Services Sunday morning at 10:45.

"Probation After Death" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 29.

The Golden Text is: "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever" (Psalm 138:8).

The citations from the Bible include the following passages: "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.. 'Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me" (Psalm 23: 1,4).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following selections from the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "As man falleth asleep, so shall he awake. As death findeth mortal man, so shall he be after death, until probation and growth shall effect the needed change" (page 291: 20-25).

Testimonial meetings second Wednesday of every month.

LEGION AUXILARY

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs Irvin French Tuesday evening for a regular meeting.

A discussion was held on ways of earning money. Two committees were appointed to earn money for the month of May. Mrs Irvin French, Mrs Wallace Clark, Mrs Dan Forbes and Mrs H I Bean, the first of the month and Mrs Hortense Chapman, Mrs E A Van and Mrs Leroy Bennett, the second half of the month.

Mrs Roy Moore was appointed to act as Poppy chairman.

It was announced that Mrs Beatrice Turcotte, Dept. President and Mrs Bernice Wells, 2nd Dist, Vice President would be present at the next meeting, May 8. A supper will be served at the Legion rooms with the members of the Legion as guests.

Following the meeting a short Child Welfare program was presented and refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Bills Receivable	227,638.07
Interest & Rents	51,747.55
Other Assets	113,410.13
Gross Assets	$18,009,582.93
Less items not admitted	270,190.77
Admitted	$17,739,392.16

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Unpaid Losses	$1,891,193.10
Voluntary Reserve	1,574,404.53
Unearned Premuims	6,432,879.55
All other Liabilities	340,914.88
Cash Capital	2,500,000.00
Surplus over Liabilities	5,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus	$17,739,392.16

EAST BETHEL

Carl H Swan Jr has moved his household goods to the house owned by Walter Billings in Bryant Pond. He has been staying with Mrs Eva Swan in Locke Mills the past week. Clayton Swan has been with his aunt, Mrs E A Billings and Betty Swan has been with Mrs Carroll Curtis while Mrs Swan has been in the hospital and at Mrs Eva Swan's since her return from Rumford.

Almon Coolidge moved his family and household goods into the Charles Reed house vacated by Mr Swan which Mr Coolidge purchased from S B Newton recently.

Mrs Richard Blanchard and children of Cumberland were guests of Mrs Robert Hastings several days last week.

Mr and Mrs Z Willis Bartlett and two sons Kenneth and Clayton of Kennebunkport were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Urban Bartlett.

Mr and Mrs O B Farwell, Mrs Rodney Howe, Stanley Howe and Miss Virginia Hastings were in Farmington Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Richard Houle have moved back to the Kimball farm from West Paris.

Mr and Mrs Willard Farwell and family moved Sunday into part of the Farwell house. Mr and Mrs O B Farwell have moved into the other part of the house.

Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Robert Hastings were Mr and Mrs Horace Cobb and family of East Sumner, Mr and Mrs Carlton Conant and family and Mr and Mrs Milton Keene of Canton Point, also Mrs Helen Newmarker and daughter and Mrs Newmarker's mother, Mrs George Hunter of Westbrook.

Mrs George Hunter returned to Westbrook Monday morning after visiting her daughter, Mrs Helen Newmarker for several days.

Mrs John Howe accompanied her father B W Kimball to Boston Sunday where he will have X-rays taken. They will be guests of Mr and Mrs O W Fales and family of Dorchester.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Mrs Glenn Martin has returned from Portland where she visited her sister Mrs Hope Caskey for a week.

Mrs Beryl Martin was at Greenwood Mountain recently to see her brother who is a patient at the Western Maine Sanatorium.

Mr and Mrs Will Seames and family of Howe Hill and Mr and Mrs Gerald Robinson and family of Norway were Sunday callers at D R Cole's.

Guests of Mr and Mrs R L Martin on Patriot's Day were Mr and Mrs Franklin Waterhouse) West Paris, Mr and Mrs Lee Mills and family, Locke Mills, T Sgt Gordon Roberts also called there recently.

Several from the vicinity attended the Twitchell-Tirrell Church wedding at Locke Mills the 23rd.

Mrs Glenn Martin heard from her husband recently and he's still in the Philippines.

Charlotte Cole visited in Bryant Pond recently.

Mr and Mrs Theodore Dunham and family of Bryant Pond called Sunday at Lester Cole's.

Lester Cole is improving the Howe Hill road at present.

Ethel Martin called on friends on Rowe Hill Sunday.

Evelyn Seames visited on Howe Hill recently.

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